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THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY IN WARTIME

C. E. Bryant, Jr.

War, contradicting all upon which peace is built, upsets the world's normal behavior. Not the least of institutions affected is the church.

Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, professor of Religious Education and Church Efficiency at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, conducted a survey of representative Southern Baptist pastors to learn just what the war is doing to the church program and what the church is doing to meet the emergency.

Questioned were 150 ministers, representative in thought and pastoring churches of various sizes in every state of the Southern Baptist Convention. One hundred answered his queries, and the tabulation of their replies was checked with the observation of another 125 pastors attending Dr. Dobbins' class during the Baptist Training Union weeks at Ridgecrest.

The results showed that:

War has brought about a notable increase in attendance at preaching services and a decided and uniform increase in financial gifts to the churches.

Preachers are revitalizing their sermons, presenting a vigorous and a challenging gospel to meet the need for spiritual interpretation of the world struggle.

The church is leading out in solving community problems, especially that of transportation.

A great missionary area is in the making.

There was an overall reflection that war's denial and defiance of Jesus' teaching on infinite value of the individual must be met squarely by the church in a ministry of personal counseling. The individual must be led to face his own problems and to see that Jesus, who taught that God cares for even the sparrow, has the answer to all the perplexities war has poured upon him.

Also reflected was a lessening of reliance on the old-fashioned revival meetings and a definite decrease in ministerial duties beyond the usual three sermons a week. The Christian home, they all agreed, must be returned to its former place as the center of the program of rebuilding society.

The Seminary professor accounted for the increase in preaching attendance in that the people of America are beginning to recognize a need for a return to religion. Too, the people are responding to revitalized preaching as prompted by the war. There was noticed a decrease in Sunday school and a slight decrease in Baptist Training.

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THE NAVY APPEALS FOR CHAPLAINS

With the navy's rapid expansion, large groups of men are without chaplains—literally tens of thousands. The need of spiritual leadership is of deep concern to those responsible. Southern Baptist preachers are not responding proportionately to the navy chaplaincy. On April 1 we were requested to supply 25 chaplains. This request is one-half met. Another call comes for an additional 25.

The people called Baptists have no ecclesiastical authority to appoint pastors to the chaplaincy. We must depend upon the volunteers from among our approximate 24,000 preachers. "We trust the Lord and tell the people." Men are needed within the ages of 24-44, fearlessly, faithful Gospel preachers, possessing both college and seminary degrees, pastors willing to make any personal sacrifice necessary to meet the spiritual need of our men in the navy.

The increased development of land bases, air units and other new phases afford a broad and challenging field of service in the navy chaplaincy. —Alfred Carpenter.

OUR NEWEST SOUTHSIDE WORKER

Dr. Claude U. Broach of Athens, Georgia, will on September 1 become an associate in the Department of Student Work of the Sunday School Board, according to an announcement by Dr. Frank H. Leavell, secretary of the department.



DR. CLAUDE U. BROACH

He served under President Sampey as Fellow in the Department of Old Testament Hebrew, 1936-39, and majored in Greek New Testament under Dr. Davis. Claude was a member of the famous seminary quartet.

During student days, Broach was pastor of the Hillsboro Baptist Church, Versailles, Kentucky. In November, 1939, he was called to the pastorate of the Covington (Virginia) Baptist Church, which he resigned to accept the position with the Sunday School Board.

Mrs. Broach is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Sellers of New Orleans. Katharine and Claude were members of the Leavell-Brownell party to Palestine in 1937. They were married October 1, 1938. They have a two-year-old daughter, Katharine Terry Broach.

"Blessed by many great friendships," Dr. Broach lists especially Dr. J. C. Wilkinson, his college pastor at Athens, Georgia; Student Secretary D. B. Nicholson of Georgia; and Professor Inman Johnson of the Seminary.

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YOUNG MINISTERS ARE JOINING RETIREMENT PLAN

Young Baptist ministers throughout the South are recognizing the advantages of the Ministers' Retirement Plan, administered by the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, and are joining in large numbers, Dr. Thos. J. Watts, Executive Secretary, reports.

During the six months ending June 30, 1942, there was an increase in the number of certificates issued of 1,507. The average age of this group was 42.1 years. Young ministers are coming to see the value of early and continuous participation in the plan. Seasoned insurance executives have told them that no insurance company can do for them what the Ministers' Retirement Plan can do, because of its contributory features. It stands to reason that payments made by both the church and the state, added to the minister's own payment, will buy more than his own payment alone would do.

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NOW THAT IT CAN BE TOLD

P. I. Lipsey, D.D.

"Distance lends enchantment to the view." Or to put it in more homely and understandable words, a cow wanders away in the spring of the year, because the grass looks greener down the path. Ecclesiastically speaking, there are churches which get the habit of calling a preacher from some distant field or church, because from a long distance they do not see his weaknesses or follies.

I know a church which for fifty or sixty years has not had a pastor who was a native of Mississippi. Indeed, the only Mississippian they have ever had, so far as I know, was the first one, and he was sent to them as a missionary.

One of those who was pastor a few years was "a gentleman of the old school," who was reared in the days and atmosphere of demijohns, decanters and decorated side boards. The story is told of him that once when riding on a train he sat by a man who was a stranger. When the preacher left a friend said to the one remaining, "Did you know that was a preacher talking with you?" "No," he replied, "I certainly did not. He looked something like a preacher, and he had a voice like a preacher, but he sure didn't smell like a preacher." This brother didn't stay very long, but went back to where "The kernels are in the corn and the corn is in the colonels."

Another of these transient preachers was "an eloquent man," but was accused of being short on religion. Another one had the reputation of having difficulty connecting with the truth. Another was leading a "devotional" service in a state convention and his remarks were mostly jokes about drinking whiskey for "snake bite." He took also time to ridicule the idea of praying for the sick. About another, one of the most devout men in the Southern Baptist Convention said, "If he is a Christian, I am a female Hottentot."

We wonder sometimes who selects the preachers for some of our churches. And we turn and read from Acts 20:28, "Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you bishops, to feed the church of God which He purchased with His own blood."

If you ask me where the church is about which we have spoken, we will reply in the illustrious words of F. D. R., "in Shangrela!"

—BR—

A BAPTIST IN A PUERTO RICAN CHURCH

Rev. Jewett Burson,
Shelby, Mississippi
Dear Brother Burson:

When I left Shelby, little did I dream that my duties would cause me to wind up in Puerto Rico on a two-year assignment, but here I am.

You should have been here and gone to church with me yesterday. It was a wow. We asked Saturday if there was a Protestant church anywhere, and we were told that there was one three blocks from our hotel. We walked down to take a look at it, and I'll give you my word of honor, there was a crap game in progress on the steps. But we decided that we would go back to Sunday school yesterday (when I speak of "we," I mean the same wife I had in Shelby, and two little boys acquired since then). When we got there we found that it was all done up in the Spanish language, and we couldn't understand a word. We were informed however (by the hardest), that there was another church four blocks down that had two services each Sunday, one in Spanish at 10 a. m. and one in English at 11 a. m., so we went on down. It was a little before 11. I saw an old negro (there is no color line down here) standing in front of the

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Sparks and Splinters

To Pvt. L. J. Parish, Corporal John R. McInnis, Sgt. L. S. McInnis, A. R. Easterling, T. J. Easterling, Lt. R. G. Griffith, E. Ray Magee, Elbert Williamson—Phalti Baptist Church is sending you The Baptist Record each week with the hope that you will enjoy it and through it keep up with the progress we are making on the home front.

"Everyone that Believeth" is a book of good, solid, meaty expository sermons from the Book of Romans. The author is Harold J. Ockenga. After reading and re-reading this book Romans will mean more. It is published by Fleming H. Revell Company of New York. The price is \$2.00.

"The King and His Kingdom," by Dr. W. McKenzie King, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Spokane, Washington, is a logical as well as a sensible study about the Kingdom. It is a book well worth reading. Fleming H. Revell Co., of New York, are the publishers, and the price is \$1.50.

According to a dispatch from Chicago, one-fifth of those killed in auto accidents had been drinking. But when campaigning for repeal of prohibition the wets loudly declared that repeal would help. BUT, according to accident facts, "the proportion of drivers and pedestrians reported to have been drinking has increased in recent years. . . ."

"The Bearing of Archaeology on the Old Testament" by Dr. George L. Robinson is just what its name indicates. It is scholarly and yet written in such language that the layman will understand. The modernist probably will read it with pain, the Bible believers with pleasure. The price is \$1.75, and the publisher is The American Tract Society, New York.

Shelton church, Jones county: Following a week's Bible school conducted by Miss Jimmie Todd, this church has just closed a revival meeting, which resulted in three additions; one by baptism. Large crowds attended and much interest was manifested in the messages brought by the pastor, Rev. Paul Z. Ball.

Ovett Baptist Church, Jones county, will begin a young people's revival on August 16. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. Gene Crawford and Clifford Brewer. We are also planning to observe our Youth Week and hold a Vacation Bible school in connection with the revival. This church has recently added a new roof and painted the building.—Paul Z. Ball, pastor.

Pharsalia church, Panola county: We have recently closed our revival, which resulted in eleven additions, eight by baptism and three by letter. Also as results of the revival the Sunday school is being reorganized, new pews will be added to the church, new hymn books purchased and a board of deacons being elected. The outlook is for a better day.—W. V. McKinster, pastor.

Please pardon me, but the 14 additions reported in the Clear Creek church, Marshall county in the Record of last week was just a report up to Wednesday night of that meeting—"14 to date." Please correct in next issue of The Record—Total additions to Clear Creek church in Marshall county was 23, 20 of whom were baptized.—E. D. Estes, evangelist.

Pontotoc: Rev. John W. Cook, pastor of the Ma-ben Baptist Church for the past two years, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church here, effective September 15. He was called unanimously by the church two weeks ago. Members here are looking forward to the coming of this fine young minister and his wife, and pledge to them their fullest co-operation.—Hershell George.

I am with Bro. J. H. Sherman and the New Hope Baptist Church, some 14 miles out in the country this week, with 23 additions "to date," and others are expected during the next three services. Said church is 97 years old. The Baptist Record is real fine again this week. The financial report of various churches is "an eye-opener."—E. D. Estes.

Pastor John H. Hooks of Rayville reports a fine revival with Dr. J. D. Grey of New Orleans doing the preaching and Brother Dale Cobb of West Monroe leading the singing. There were 29 additions.

Smyrna church, Copiah county, from Mrs. O. Z. Fortenberry we learn that the Smyrna revival will begin August 23 with Rev. W. P. Sandifer doing the preaching. Sunday services will be held at 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. with dinner in between. The weekly services will be morning and night.

It was my pleasure to be with Rev. O. R. Mosley at Cross Roads (Newton county) in a revival July 26-31. The attendance was splendid and the fellowship fine. There were seven additions to the church, six by professions of faith and one by restoration.—C. B. Hamlett, III.

Spring Hill Baptist Church, Marshall county: In our revival meeting which has just closed, Rev. R. L. Ray, Jr., brought the messages to large congregations. Four new members were added to the church. This was the second time Rev. R. L. Ray has conducted a revival for us.—Reporter.

Camp Ground Baptist Church, Yalobusha county: Just closed a delightful and happy revival. Camp Ground is one of the youngest churches in Yalobusha county and is doing a good work. There were 16 additions during the revival.—L. J. Crumby, pastor.

Palestine church in Simpson county held their revival meeting Aug. 9-14. It was my privilege to preach to them in this meeting. The attendance, interest and cooperation were splendid. The visible results were thirteen baptized and The Baptist Record put in every home of the church. Brother C. W. Black is the pastor. The people hold him in esteem and he deserves it. I heard several of the members talking about remodeling their church building and adding Sunday school rooms to it. They are able to do this if they decide to undertake it. It was a pleasure to labor with them.—B. E. Phillips.

The revival of the Clarke-Venable Memorial Baptist Church of Decatur will begin August 23 and run through September 1. The Rev. C. E. "Dan" Patch of Baldwin will be with us as the evangelist. We covet the prayers of the entire Baptist fellowship.—C. B. Hamlett, III, pastor.

Friendship church, Lincoln county: While Pastor Roy L. Self was away in a meeting on August 16, morning worship services at Friendship were conducted by Truett Smith, son of Deacon and Mrs. Elmer Smith. In the evening a unique service was held in which three blind persons participated. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith brought special music, and Mr. Smith was in charge of the choir while Mrs. Smith presided at the piano. Rev. Bob Rushing, who was recently ordained at Gum Grove, brought the message. The Sunday school has just concluded its Vacation Bible school, which was attended by about forty-five. The entire Sunday school came together to enjoy the commencement exercises.—Reporter.

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office were the following: Rev. Glenn Flynt, Clinton; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton; Dr. Otho A. Eure, Greenwood; Rev. Clarence H. Watson, Yazoo City; Rev. H. A. Hunderup, Jr., Prentiss; Rev. L. W. Ferrell, Jackson; Rev. H. W. Roberson, Brandon; James Foster, Jackson; Rev. J. P. Bush, Yazoo City; Donnell Bush, Yazoo City; Rev. B. E. Padgett, Clinton; Rev. B. L. McKee, Gallman; Rev. and Mrs. N. F. Davis, Jr., Tylertown.

Good Hope church, Scott county: During the week of August 9 we held our revival. Rev. Joe Hudson of Bassfield did the preaching and the singing was led by Link Brown of Homewood. There were six additions to the church, all by baptism. The Thursday service was dedicated to the youth of our community who are in the armed services, together with their families. Wonderful work is being accomplished by our young people in both B. T. U. and Sunday school. Our new pastor, Rev. O. V. Swearingen of Chunky will soon take up his work with us. We are looking forward to much progress under his leadership.—Emma Waltman, reporter.

Strengthford Baptist Church, Wayne county: During the week of July 10-14 we held a five-day course in building a Standard Sunday school. The attendance was good. Miss Lois Jones of Clara directed, with our pastor, Rev. R. V. Meadows, assisting. Out motto is to be "Doers of the word and not hearers only."—Mrs. D. M. Loper, Waynesboro, Miss.

Salem church, Neshoba county, will observe its 69th anniversary with the dedication of a new house of worship on Thursday, August 27. Dr. D. A. McCall will preach the dedication sermon. A history of the church will be given and several former pastors will speak in the afternoon. The program begins at ten o'clock (old time). Dinner will be served during the noon hour. A great number of old friends and former members are expected.—F. G. Wilborn, pastor.

Central church, Holmes county: There were eight additions during our revival, 10 during the year. G. D. Wynne led the singing with Mrs. James McDaniel as organist. Our Vacation Bible school had eight with perfect attendance, Miss Eleanor Hitt was the leader. The pastor, Rev. Don Jones, did the preaching. During the past ten months a B. T. U. was organized and weekly prayer meeting begun. The pastor's salary has been increased and a pastor's study built.—Reporter.

Clear Creek, Lafayette county: Dr. D. A. McCall assisted us in a six days' meeting beginning the fourth Sunday in July. His lectures on Home, State and Foreign Missions were instructive and educational. During the meeting there were nine additions, four by profession of faith and five by letter.—J. R. G. Hewlett, pastor.

Damascus church, Copiah county: We held our annual revival meeting last week, with the pastor, Rev. W. P. Sandifer, of Wesson, doing the preaching. The singing was directed by E. Ray Izard of Gallman. The attendance was good and a fine Christian spirit prevailed. There was one addition by letter.—Reporter.

Union Senior church, Covington county, has just closed a ten days' meeting, with Rev. A. V. Faggard of South Laurel, assisting the pastor, Rev. S. E. Nix. This was a great revival, with 24 additions; 20 by baptism and 4 by letter. Several rededicated their lives to the Lord.

The marriage of Miss Mary Virginia Gamble, daughter of Mrs. Delia Lively, of Bowling Green, Ky., to Rev. James Hardee Kennedy, pastor of Pachuta Baptist Church, and son of Mrs. Etta M. Kennedy, of Pachuta, Miss., is of interest to many of our Baptist people. The wedding took place on Sunday, August 2, at 4 o'clock in the Pachuta Baptist Church, with Rev. W. W. (Bill) Miller, former classmate of the groom, now pastor at Folsom, La., officiating. The bride is a graduate of Bowling Green high school, Bowling Green University, and last year received her diploma in Religious Education from the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, La. She is an earnest and devoted Christian worker. She has always taken an active leadership in religious work. Last year she served as president of the Young Woman's Auxiliary at B. B. I. Brother Kennedy is a graduate of Pachuta high school, Clarke College, and Mississippi College. For the past two years he has attended Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans. He serves as a Fellow in the Department of Theology there. He is well known among our Mississippi Baptists as a deeply consecrated Christian leader and pastor. He is now pastoring churches in Clarke and Jasper counties. He served as president of the B. H. DeMent Ministerial Union last year, and has been elected to serve as president of the student body for the coming year. The many lovely expressions of his church members, in gifts and deeds, reveal the love and esteem which they hold for him as their pastor and leader.

Often the Christians in mission lands put us to shame as they, out of their poverty, give sacrificially to Kingdom work. From Argentina, Missionary E. S. Swenson wrote: "The finances have continued on the previous high level, an average of approximately 3 pesos per member monthly. More than 80% of the membership contribute regularly. During the year the mortgage in property amounting to 5,500 pesos was paid off. When we came back from furlough there were about 20 pesos in the treasury. The remaining debt on the property is 5,500 pesos which we hope to liquidate in about two years."

Juniper Grove: We have just closed one of the most successful meetings we have had in several years. We had 26 additions. We have called D. W. Nix as pastor and he has accepted.—O. R. Smith.

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Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
Is — work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."

I

In a place here and there over the state, church officers have spoken to us about some trouble, originating in the mailing of The Baptist Record. We do not handle that phase of the work but can assure you the Mailing Department is gradually correcting the trouble. More details are involved than you may imagine. However, much of the trouble should be and we think will be worked out within some weeks. You have been very patient about the matter. Blessings upon you!

II

Two or three persons have said in our presence, "If The Baptist Record breaks even that will be a big saving over previous years."

That is true. It would effect a saving of \$4,000 to \$7,000 per year.

However, we easily recall the \$4,000 to \$7,000 total deficit each year for several years past has been coming out of the Cooperative Program.

Two things we observe:

First,—Common justice would suggest that if possible it put as much of this money back as possible—not that the reader or writer would share it—but that Evangelism, Missions, Christian Education, and Benevolences would be benefited. We cannot forget the salvation of souls in hearing and accepting Him is involved. What an issue!

Second,—We cannot bring ourselves to the point where we are satisfied with slovenliness in His work, in support, administration, etc.

III

Our boys and girls in particular have a treat in store for them as they read the new book, "Friends Down Under," by Willie Jean Stewart. You must read this interesting story of Dan and Dick, in its setting far to the South.

"Wings Against the Blue," is the title of a new book by Rosalee Mills Appleby. At first we said, "The girls will like this." A few pages on, "The boys will too." Yes, and the men and women will like it also!

Order from your Baptist Book Store!

IV

Brother Virgil D. Davis, now in the U. S. Army, Camp Polk, La., was recently licensed to preach by his home church at Gatesville. In his first sermon a soldier at home on leave, accepted Christ publicly.

Doxology!

We are thankful for CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS.

"Onward Christian Soldiers
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before!
Christ, the royal Master
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See His banners go!

Chorus

"Onward Christian Soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before."

V

Voice over our radio yesterday morning: "No more whiskey will be made after November first." They have five years' supply on hand.

To buy up new tires was "hoarding." It is all "hoarding," seemingly, to store up liquor!

To buy up new tires was "hoarding." It is all right for some to have five years' supply of whiskey on hand!

Yesterday, a local paper carried in a feature column, a reference to a recent "tin can drive." The

writer, so we were told, stated that most of the tin went into caps for beer bottles, etc. Nice drive, wasn't it?

Americans need to read the Bible. The story of Joseph, for instance, might help us prepare in the days of plenty against days of famine. That would stop a lot of "plowing under" and "bottling up"—if you know what we mean.

Just as church members follow when they have confidence in leaders, so will, and do, the American people follow as they have confidence in leaders.

VI

Correction

From the recently printed list of six months' contributions we find \$16.67 credited to Springfield church, Scott county, when it should have been credited to Springfield church, Leake county. We gladly make the correction!

There may have been other mistakes in the list. This is the only one called to our attention at this writing. Good bookkeeping, eh?

VII

Dr. Bruce Thompson, faculty member, brought a helpful and stimulating message at our Clinton prayer meeting.

Brother E. C. Williams, staff member, and family are greatly enjoying their new and beautiful home. They share it with friends along the way. What these Christian homes do mean!

Nearly 100 men of West Laurel were present in a recent Brotherhood meeting. Pastor Orr and the church there are doing things for Him. Some golden brown fried chicken was incidental to the aforesaid meeting.

Brother Harry Smallwood says a definite effort will be put forth to see that every Jones county church contributes to all causes through the Cooperative Program by Association time.

Doxology!

VIII

Dr. Lawrence B. Cobb, Union, coming to us some time ago from Oklahoma, has identified himself thoroughly with our work.

Some other out-of-state pastors have done that, to our inspiration.

Occasionally one drifts in from another state and refuses to support generously Mississippi Baptist causes, and then feels he is not thoroughly appreciated. We all like for our children to be appreciated, no matter how homely they may be. Think that over! Mississippi Baptist life helped make his church, and vice versa. He owes both something.

Anyway, we appreciate the excerpt below from Dr. Cobb's last letter:

"During our recent revival with this church (Pinkney) they voted to adopt the budget plan of finance which includes, in addition to Ministers' Retirement, the EVERY FAMILY Plan for The Record and monthly contributions through the Cooperative Program to beyond-church causes. We hope to add the Now Club by Association time and feel confident we shall be able to do so. Would appreciate information concerning suggested quota.

"With every good wish and continued remembrance in prayer.

"Sincerely,

"Yours in Him,

"LAWRENCE B. COBB."

—BR—

Immanuel church, Neshoba county: Our revival has just closed with 10 additions, 4 for baptism. Rev. R. K. Corder of Philadelphia did the preaching. Immanuel church was organized September 25, 1938, with thirty charter members. We now have 54 members. Our Sunday school and B. T. U. were organized shortly after the organization of the church and the membership of each out-numbers that of the church. The EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record was adopted at the first service of the church.—Reporter.

Double Springs church, Webster county: Our revival closed Friday with four additions, three by baptism. Rev. J. R. Reedy of Eupora assisted the pastor, Rev. Vernon Wilson. Double Springs is an EVERY FAMILY church.—Arnold S. Dunn.

We have just closed a fine B. T. U. study course in Corinth church, Simpson county, for the seniors and juniors.—Rev. W. W. Boggan.

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley

Soldiers, Sailors and Defense Projects Service

COLUMBUS: Saturday evenings from 6 to 10 o'clock has been designated as "Cadet Time" in the recreational hall at the First Baptist Church. Once each month the church gives a "Cadet Social." Sixty cadets in attendance at the initial one proved that even air-minded soldiers like a little diversion.

GREENVILLE: The cadet social center opened here August 1. It is located downtown on Washington avenue.

Americans' right to vote was purchased with blood. To vote is a Christian duty. The War and Navy Departments announce that any member desiring to vote in his home state election should write to his Secretary of State at the Capitol building regarding his eligibility and the procedure for absentee voting. In Mississippi the Secretary of State is Honorable Walker Wood, State Capitol, Jackson, Mississippi. Service men should give their full name, army or navy serial number, permanent home address and military or naval address.

BILOXI: The First Baptist Church gave to visiting Keesler Field men during July, 1465 Gospels and Testaments.

HOLLAND: It is reported that the wearing of the Christian cross is considered an hostile act by the German high command. The cross is the insignia of the Christian chaplains in the armed and naval forces of the United States.

From the Jackson Army Air Base church bulletin (headquarters for the Royal Dutch Air Force) we print Psalm 98:1:

"Zingt, zingt een nieuw gezang den Heere,
Dien Grooten God, Die wondren deed,
Zijn rechterhand vol sterkt' en eere,
Zijn heilig arm wrocht heil na leed,
Dat heil heeft God nu doen verkonden;
Nu heeft Hij Zijn gerechtigheid,
Zoo vlekkeloos ongeschonden,
Voor't heidendom ten toon gesproid."

—BR—

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"WHAT TO PREACH—EXCUSES"

When the Lord met Moses in the wilderness of Midian and called him to go down to Egypt to deliver his people, Moses offered to God four excuses. He exhausted all the excuses people have given since for not doing what God wanted them to do.

Every week the active pastor encounters those who give one or more of the excuses Moses gave for not doing what they ought to do in their Christian obligation to support the Lord and His cause.

Many of us preachers too easily excuse the people. Of course there are times when people have a reasonable reason for not doing a special thing. We should consider each cause on its merits. We also should have discernment enough to recognize an inadequate excuse.

Therefore, it behooves us preachers in our preaching to bring our people to a conscious awareness of the fact that their tendency to refuse to accept responsibility is a real temptation from Satan. Here is another place where we ought to lay on and spare not.

I find it a good idea about once every two years to preach a sermon on "Moses' Alibis." Everytime I have at least a dozen or more people who come to me and say they were on the verge of quitting but that sermon made them stick, and others come and ask to be allowed to accept responsibilities which they previously had declined.

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HOARDING

During these days of war we hear much of hoarding. Editors throughout the land have lambasted that minority among us that hoard sugar or other scarce commodities. They have searched high and low for words sufficiently harsh to describe those who are so selfish that they are willing to deny to others a fair share while they enjoy an abundance.

To our own sorrow we confess that among us are many who are so heartless and selfish that they put their own private desires—not needs—above a fair portion for their friends and neighbors. And sadder still is the fact that such people are found among our acquaintances and in our own community.

But as despicable and detestable as are the hoarders of physical things, even more so are other hoarders who live among us. They do not hoard material things, but things that count for far more than things that are eaten today and gone tomorrow.

We have hoarders among us who hoard their time. At least, they think they do. We know people who think that they are too busy to give any time to God. They think they can use all their time for themselves and leave God out. But note that they just think so. No one really succeeds in hoarding time. God always collects. People who think they can work on Sunday (unless it is a necessity), and thereby gain, are just "kidding themselves." They can use God's day, but they can't keep the gains. Just take time to check among your acquaintances who are trying to take God's day and see if they don't pay enough in accidents, doctors' bills, hospital accounts and other costs to take every cent of their HOARDED time. You can't "outdo God."

Others try to hoard God's money. One-tenth of our incomes belong to God. Yet even as Adam and Eve thought to evade God's direct command, so have others through all generations since that time tried to do likewise. And just as Adam and Eve failed, so has every one since then failed. We've known many good collectors in our time. But none approached God in results. For many years we have observed that those who were faithful to God's commands just got along better than those who disobey. Some people think they can hoard God's money but He sees that it "doesn't stick." Somehow, in the long run, it gets away from them.

Many of our churches have people who are hoarding talents. Many capable workers are "loafing" in God's vineyard, while they should be busy about His work. And just as God seems that hoarded time and money don't do us any good, so does He see that our hoarded talents are useless. We know of a man blessed with a good voice, but instead of using it for God's glory, he used it to promote a fuss, or fusses, in his church. Today he has neither voice nor health.

Individual Christians are not the only hoarders. We know of churches that have the financial ability as well as Christian talent to develop mission points about them. But snail-like they live lazily within their own shells forgetting, or closing their eyes to, the spiritual destitution about them. Surely, if we look with disgust at people about who hoard material things, how much shall we feel ashamed at those churches who hoard the opportunities they have!

If it is wrong and wretched and selfish and shameful and foolish and heartless to hoard everyday things, how much worse it is to hoard things that deal with eternity!

—BR—

Mt. Pisgah church, Tallahatchie county: Beginning the third Sunday in July we conducted a six days' meeting, with Dr. E. L. Byrd doing the preaching. There were ten additions by profession of faith and two by letter.—J. R. G. Hewlett, pastor.

"MARVEL NOT IF THE WORLD HATE YOU"

The Scripture quoted at the beginning of this article is taken from the thirteenth verse of the third chapter of First John. Never was it more true than today. Let any Christian or group of Christians dare to stand up for righteousness, and immediately the devil's defenders let loose all the vituperation which their narrow views can concoct.

Let any Christian in Mississippi dare to insist on law enforcement and immediately in the eyes of the Godless gang he becomes "a bigot," "narrow-minded," "self-righteous," "an interferer"—and various other derogatory designations.

But it seems that Mississippi has no monopoly on such persecutions. In a recent issue of The Baptist Record mention was made of the fact that in Birmingham, Alabama, a group of people protested when a featured speaker at a war bond breakfast was announced as the head of a large whiskey distilling company.

From the Christian Century we learn that the expected happened—those who protested were "saboteurs," "deserters in time of crisis," etc.—at least the "wets" and "wet" beneficiaries so designated them. But read the whole story below taken from the Christian Century:

Birmingham, July 28.—The "million dollar bond breakfast" held in Birmingham some days ago—the first of a series to be held over the nation—stirred up a hornets' nest among Alabama dries as nothing else has done in a long time. The commotion arose from the fact that the dries protested vigorously against the featured speaker for the occasion. Birmingham's two leading newspapers, which are waxing fat on liquor advertising, jumped on the dries with might and main and made it appear that they were opposing the sale of bonds and sabotaging the nation's defense efforts. Editorials in the two papers spoke of the protest and its sponsors as "preposterous," "intolerant," "profoundly bad and deserving public rebuke." The district attorney threatened to send dry church and civic leaders to jail for interfering with the nation's defense.

The gentleman who caused all the commotion was Mr. W. W. Wachtel, president of Calvert Distillers Corporation, who is also national chairman of the war bonds and stamp council of the liquor and wine industries.

Dries Lectured on 'Patriotism'

Just three days before the breakfast the dries learned of Mr. Wachtel's connection with the liquor industry and that the treasury department was sending him to Birmingham. Immediately they went into action. Protests were made over the telephone to the breakfast committee and to the Chamber of Commerce, which was sponsoring the affair, and a long telegram, signed by heads of various temperance and church bodies, was sent to the secretary of the treasury. Finally, representatives of the dry forces went in a body to the Chamber of Commerce building to protest in person. But before they could make a statement or ask a question leaders of the breakfast committee launched into a 45-minute lecture on patriotism. The dries were given to understand that they were saboteurs, deserters in time of crisis, the kind of people whom Hitler and Mussolini would be proud of, and that they had little or no patriotism. Between accusations the lecturers expatiated on their own patriotic endeavors. Mr. Wachtel was notified of the protest but he came anyway, and in his address accused the dries of causing disunity and declared that anyone causing disunity in such times was sabotaging the war efforts of the government.

Church Paper Publishes the Facts

The next Sunday several ministers of the city preached on the matter and gave the facts in the case. Some of the temperance people had taken sides with the newspapers, misled by the papers' distortion of the facts. In its next issue the Alabama Christian Advocate, weekly organ of all the Methodists in the state and in adjacent parts, published one of these sermons and had a front-page editorial on the affair. All available copies of the Advocate were speedily sold.

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Dr. Handon Harris assisted Dr. A. A. Kitchings in a meeting at Bentonla. There were 17 additions.

Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

A FOE WE MUST NOT IGNORE
L. E. McGowen, Moorhead, Miss.

In times like these when our nation and other nations are fighting for their very existence, it is inevitable that the fires of hatred will be kindled. Old hatreds will have new fuel to feed upon, and new and vicious hatreds will be born. From the very first moment of this war the tide has been against us. Bad news has been followed often by worse news, and losses have been followed by other losses. Death messages are constantly being received from battlefronts by anxious families and friends. Little has come from the war front to give cheer, but much has come to depress. The fact that we have strong hopes and faith in an ultimate triumph does not offer great consolation to many of our people. Again, we say, it is inevitable that bitter hatreds will be born and fed in our land in times like these.

Indeed, it is the belief of some that hatred must be kindled in a people against their enemies before they will rise up and fight against them in all their might. This accounts for the doctored and distorted atrocity stories that are fed to nations in time of war. It is felt that propaganda of this type is necessary to create hatreds strong enough to make people fight as they ought. But there are multitudes who believe that such views concerning hatred are entirely false and un-Christian, and who would willingly die for their country from patriotism alone. There is an old proverb which declares, "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." The lawyer that fills up with anger in the court room usually loses the decision. To embitter the soldiers and civilians of a nation with hate will hamper them tragically in the performance of tasks which demand coolness and precision.

Moreover, it is not the person hated who suffers most when one hates. It is the one hating who suffers most disastrously. It is not the victim of hate that is to be pitied most, it is the one who heaps hatred upon him. Hatred burns up and destroys the best that is in us. It burns up our big-heartedness, our sense of appreciation, and all nobility of character. No matter what a nation's achievements and victories, if it succumbs to this foe it has lost more than it has gained.

But, some will ask, is it possible to avoid hating in time of war when one's own brothers are being killed, when the ships of his country are being sunk and its territory invaded? Certainly, no one would glibly reply that such is possible. Such a thing is not at all easy, and can only be done by the grace of God. But it can be done and is being done by many noble souls even in this time of national stress and tenseness. We must not forget that there are Christians in all the countries we are fighting who are as devout as ourselves. Surely we do not wish to hate these. While we are to avoid hating those who fight against us, still there is nothing against hating some things they do and stand for. These are two entirely different matters.

When the war is over, no matter who wins, this monster we call hate will sit at the table to dictate the terms of peace. If hate succeeds in doing this, then hate will have won the war rather than the victorious nations. If hate dictates the peace terms at the end of this war, then the seed of another war will have been planted. This is the verdict of all history.

—BR—

Heuck's Retreat, Lincoln county: A genuine spiritual up-lift characterized our revival as the church responded to the scriptural preaching of Dr. E. F. Haight of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans. There were 11 additions; 10 for baptism.—L. E. Smith, pastor.

Pine Grove, Simpson county: We had large crowds and much interest manifested in messages brought by Rev. H. D. Gordon, of Morton during our revival. There were 18 additions; 11 by baptism.—D. W. Moulder, pastor.

OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

SOUND DOCTRINE

By Sam W. Scantlan, Pastor
Capitol Hill Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Now is the time to stay with the fundamental teachings of the Scriptures. It is also a time when one can be led astray by strange doctrines. Paul exhorts us that we be no longer children, tossing to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, in craftiness, after the wiles of error.

Every pastor must make up his mind whether he is going to keep right on preaching the Bible or play to the balcony with a lot of popular subjects which catch the eye and tickle the fancies of many people.

For example, in Isaiah 3:18 there is a reference to the taking away of tires. What a sermon one might build on the present tire situation! But when this Scripture is rightly interpreted and compared with Ezekiel 24:23 it is plainly seen that the reference is to some sort of dress for the head. It is a temptation though to preach on "Prophecy foretells the taking away of tires," and twist the meaning to fit our plight of today.

Hitler makes a popular subject for preaching; Mussolini and Stalin are subjects to send one off at a tangent. But the true preacher of the Gospel will continue to preach Christ and Him crucified; warn people of the coming judgment and tell them that they may be summoned up before God at any moment. He will warn all men to prepare to meet God.

The business of the church and the preacher is religion. Some thirty religious denominations recently met in Ohio and drafted thirteen points for world peace. Not one of the points mentions personal religion of the individual,—they deal with such subjects as: "World Government," "International Police," "International Banks," etc. Personally, I think the business of the church is not to police the world, but to proclaim the Gospel of the risen Lord to a lost and dying world.

A story is often told about a little girl who accompanied her father to the office. She gave a good deal of trouble. The busy father took a map of the world and cut it into several pieces and told her to put it together again. In a short while she was back with the announcement that she had the world back together. The father marveled that she had done it so quickly. She said, "Daddy, I found that there was a man's picture on the other side of the paper and when I got the man right, I had the world right." The application is obvious.

Now is the time to take stock of Paul's words, "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned into fables."

Sound doctrine is needed today as never before—the kind of doctrine that makes a man see his own condition in the light of the coming resurrection and judgement day. Christ's forerunner came proclaiming with earnestness, "Repent ye, repent ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." He lost his head for preaching sound doctrine and we need preachers and laymen today who are willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, in the giving to the world a real Gospel message.—Baptist Messenger.

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Rev. J. L. Boyd, pastor of the Forty-First Avenue Baptist Church of Meridian, was elected president of Clarke Memorial College on August 11th by the Board of Trustees, to succeed President R. E. May, who resigned on June 12th to enter work with the Red Cross. The college will open as planned on September 1st. Dr. O. R. Moseley is dean and acting president until a president is installed. The present prospects are fine for a splendid attendance this coming session.

W. CLAUDE MORGAN BECOMES EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

Due to the growing work at Crystal Springs, W. Claude Morgan has been selected for that work.



W. CLAUDE MORGAN

of Bachelor of Music from Vandercook School of Music in Chicago.

He comes to Crystal Springs with wide experience as educational director in Texas and Mississippi and as an experienced musician. His wife, Kate Polk Morgan, is a graduate of Mississippi College and also holds the degree of master of Christian Education from the Fort Worth Seminary. They have one daughter, Joy Durham Morgan, age 11.

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PRIDE OF MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS.

... is Beautiful Blue Mountain, a college of liberal arts, located in the hills of Mississippi seventy-five miles southeast of Memphis, Tennessee. It is the oldest senior college for women in the state. It has full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and in the Association of American Colleges. In addition to the bachelor of arts degree, Blue Mountain offers courses in music, art, dramatics, library science, home economics, and commerce. Athletics include golf, tennis, aquatics, fencing, archery, basketball, volleyball, softball, ping pong, and shuffleboard.

The campus contains about forty acres. It is an area of surpassing natural beauty enhanced by artistic landscaping. It is located on one of the highest elevations in Mississippi where the air is pure. From copious mountain springs gushes cold, sparkling freestone water of exceptional purity, said by chemists to be "superior to distilled water." The campus, a plateau in one area, rolling grassy slopes in others, and with that part of it which contains the dell and one of the lakes still in its natural wooded state, provides an ideal setting for study, meditation, rest, and play.

There are nine buildings on the campus exclusive of the infirmary, central heating plant, servant houses, storehouses, etc. Five of the buildings are student residence halls—Whitfield, Jennings, Hearn, Lowrey, and Ray.

The Student-Alumnae Memorial Hall is the Administrative Building which contains administrative and business offices, a 14,000-volume library, book store, post office, studios, class rooms, laboratories, and the Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium with a seating capacity of almost a thousand.

Every room in Whitfield and Jennings residence halls has private or connecting bath.

Broach Hall is the student religious-social center.

Wherever Blue Mountain College graduates are found, they commonly are in places of leadership in civic, educational, cultural, religious and club circles. While Blue Mountain's first objective is to train women for Christian home-making, its graduates are engaged in sixty-eight different vocations and professions in most of the states and several foreign countries.

A well-rounded personality is the result of four years at Blue Mountain. The college first seeks good material; it attracts the girl with a sense of values. Its standard of student selection is based on character, ability, personality, and potential leadership.

With a superior type of girl the college's educa-

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A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

Jesus said—"No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62.

I

It is our hope that Mississippi Baptists will do the heroic thing in sending \$100,000 to be used in the next bond call. We are "dead in earnest" about it! Some of it will come through the Co-operative Program and Five Thousand Club.

If we call \$100,000 of our Education Commission bonds next time we will save \$60,000 in interest, for it will cover a period of ten years, taking the bonds of 1952, 1953, and 1954. Let us do it!

Having saved \$75,000 interest on bonds already called, that will bring the total in interest savings to \$135,000 at that date, provided it is less than a year from this writing. We think it worthwhile!

It can be done! It should be done!

What do you say, Mississippi Baptists?

II

We can tell you why we want to see our denomination out of debt.

Not that we may sit and do nothing!

Not that we may sleep at the post of duty!

Not that selfishness and covetousness may have celebrations because our hearts and pocketbooks have gone on holidays!

Not that some one cause may greedily grab at all Mississippi Baptist money!

Not that some of us may go on a perpetual vacation!

Rather, we want to see Foreign Missions, China Relief and all—with their heart-breaking cries—supported more largely!

Rather, we want to see our Home Mission Board in an even greater program for Christ!

Rather, we want to see through State Mission channels the struggling pastor, weak churches, Negroes, Indians, Chinese, soldiers, students, and departments get more worthy support. Let us be sure our Mississippi does not become another Palestine!

Rather, we want more monies flowing to seminaries, orphanage, hospital, training schools, colleges, ministerial students and all the rest.

Much of all this will happen when we "chop the interest head off debt" and gratefully bury the body!

A resurrection of larger interest will occur!

III

Sometime ago an official of the S. B. C. Executive Committee secured information from the various states regarding their own indebtedness. That compilation showed Mississippi Baptists as having the second largest indebtedness. Texas had the largest. Texas is also the largest Baptist state.

Mississippi is not near the top as a strong Baptist state, yet figures showed us next to the top as to debt.

As a matter of fact, our debt is as large as the debt of any Southwide agency about which we know. We have only a fractional part of their income.

Many Mississippi Baptists as yet have only a far-away look in their eyes regarding the debt situation. Their hands may be in their pockets. As yet they have not brought them out filled with a part of the Lord's money to reduce debt.

That debt waits in part on them!

—BR—

Friendship No. 1, Tallahatchie county, conducted a revival meeting, beginning the first Sunday in August. Dr. J. Edwin Hewlett, of Richmond, Ky., was the visiting preacher. There were seven additions to the church, five up profession of faith and two by letter.—J. R. G. Hewlett, pastor.

tional purpose produces poised, clear-thinking leaders, blending loveliness with initiative. As much concern is given to developing individual initiative and leadership as to maintaining the high degree of academic excellence for which the college is noted.

IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE WHAT ONE BELIEVES

R. E. Bell, Decatur, Texas

Dr. J. B. Gambrell used to say that ideas rule the world, and they do. At this very time the whole world is divided into two warring camps, each dedicating its entire resources to the defense or assertion of its idea of government. It is very evident that people know that it makes a difference what one believes about government. We recognize, too, that what one believes about medicine and the treatment of disease is important. But in the field of religion many people seem to think that what one believes is a matter of small concern. The truth of the business is, however, that what one believes about religion has a more far-reaching influence upon his life and destiny than what he believes about anything else.

One often hears expressions like these: "It makes no difference what one believes, just so he lives right"; "One church is as good as another—we are all working for the same place"; "Baptism doesn't save and it makes no difference whether much or little water is used, just so a person is satisfied." These are common expressions and they have wide acceptance, but they are false and hurtful, and the fallacies they contain should be exposed. As a matter of fact, one church is not as good as another. That church is best which conforms most nearly in doctrine and practice to the New Testament pattern, and whether it so conforms or not is a matter of serious importance. Furthermore, if a man is honest and has force of character he will not live right if his belief is wrong. Paul was a dangerous man when his belief was wrong. And in addition to this, Christians should not work to go to heaven. They work for the extension of the kingdom of God, and trust Christ to save them. They are saved by grace and not by works. It is true also that baptism doesn't save, but a lot of things are very important that are not conditions of salvation, and baptism is one of them. I would love to tell why baptism is so important, but space will not permit it here. Maybe that can be discussed in a later article.

However, right now attention is called to the fact that no evil or error seems dangerous in its beginning, or when circumstances are unfavorable to a full revelation of its character in conduct. The tubercular germ often lies dormant in the lungs for many years and is hardly recognized, but when vitality is low it sees its opportunity and leaps into multiplied and devastating activity which destroys its victim. What Hitler believed about government and human rights attracted little attention for a long time, but finally circumstances became favorable for the assertion of these ideas, and their forcible march is threatening civilization and humanity's dearest rights.

When evil and error are in the period of their beginnings is the best time to destroy them. The trouble is, we wait until sin is full grown before we attack it, and then it is hard to destroy.

Appreciation of vital truths and strong conviction as to their value are essential to great character. What red corpuscles are to the blood, conviction is to character. Diseases which destroy the red corpuscles make men anemic and lifeless, and the relaxing of conviction does the same thing to character.

Another thing that ought to be said is that truth is to be preserved in the interest of humanity rather than in the interest of any particular denomination. The defense of truth has often been discredited by the partisan spirit in which it has been conducted. "Speaking the truth in love," is the scriptural formula.

It was said above that belief and conviction as to its value makes a difference in character. I wish to say, also, that they make a difference in the satisfaction of living. A man who believes that "all things work together for good to them that love God" has more comfort in sorrow than one who does not believe in God. The Christian who believes that salvation is by grace alone, and not of works, gets a great deal more out of his religion than the one who thinks that salvation is wholly or partly of works, and is never sure that he has obeyed enough to be saved or sinned enough to be

IS THIS SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE?

The following item from The Hartford Courant of July 17, under the signature of Arthur C. Wimar, Washington correspondent, will give you the reason for this letter:

"Congressman Downs (Le Roy D. Downs, D., South Norwalk, Conn.) reported that the Federal Works Agency had reversed a previous ruling and had decided parochial schools might receive public works grants for improvement and maintenance. Heretofore parochial schools have been regarded as private institutions not eligible to participate in the public works program. Mr. Downs said Assistant FWA Administrator Baird Snyder today telegraphed instructions to all FWA regional offices to receive and process applications for parochial schools."

The implications of the outrage perpetrated against the taxpayers by some men in the Federal Works Agency cannot yet be appreciated to their full extent. Not only an outrage against the taxpayers, but against one of our fundamental principles, the separation of church and state. To introduce this measure now while public attention is concentrated on winning the war might well-nigh be called treason against our country in favor of one particular religious body which has no clean hands in regard to its fight against world Fascism.—Erna Polle, East Windsor Hill, Conn., in The Protestant.

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While supplying the pulpit of Tremont Temple Baptist Church, Boston, in July, Dr. M. E. Dodd was invited to prepare an address for the Baptists of the World for broadcast by short wave. This address will be put on the air at 4:30 p. m., Eastern War Time, 3:30 p. m., Central War Time, Sunday, August 30, by the World Broadcasting Foundation of Harvard University. It will go out over Station WRUL.

Bruce: On August 16 our church closed a week of revival services with 36 additions. Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman did the preaching. There were large crowds throughout the week, with 172 at the Saturday morning service. Rev. J. R. Eubanks of Greenville led the song service.—Reporter.

New Hope, Yalobusha county: We have just closed our revival meeting. There were 41 additions, 41 of whom were baptized. Evangelist E. D. Estes did the preaching. The church was greatly revived and our offering was the largest in the history of the church. The church is 93 years old. We are having Brother Estes back with us October 25 for another revival, and again in August, 1943.—Rev. J. H. Sherman.

Blackwater church, Kemper county: The revival, held during the week of August 2, resulted in 12 additions, 11 of these being for baptism. Rev. Jake Murphy of Bogalusa, La., was the visiting preacher. Dr. Q. R. Mosley is the pastor. This church is over 102 years old.—Reporter.

For the fourth year Rev. C. W. Thompson, of Laurel, assisted in a revival meeting at Society Hill, Jeff Davis county. Rev. C. W. Black, pastor, has been with this church eight years, during which time they have painted and lighted their building, fenced the church property, installed fans, and plan to build Sunday school rooms; have recently conducted a Bible school. They led all rural churches of the county in mission contributions. This church has the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record.—Reporter.

lost. What one believes makes a difference in his joy and peace of mind.

It makes a difference, too in his usefulness. What John the Baptist believed made him "a burning and shining light." What Paul believed made him willing to die for the proclamation of the gospel. What Luther believed made him the leader of a great religious revolution, and what Carey believed made him the pioneer of a movement for the evangelization of the world. The reason many people never amount to anything and never do anything worth while is they never have enough conviction to warm their blood, arouse their energies and drive them out to important and sacrificial service. Deep conviction is the spring of heroic action.—Baptist Standard.

THE JOURNEY OF LOST SOULS

Read this from a secular paper, which headlined it "Indictment of the Dance Hall":

The Memphis Commercial Appeal made the following indictment of the modern dance hall in a recent issue of that publication:

"McNamara was speeding on his way to the jail, never again maybe to claim the society of a civilized community. And yet, how small is the circle, for from across the way, through the open window came music from the dance hall, where, two years ago, McNamara first met the girl for whose virtue he paid his head."—Extract from report on the McNamara verdict, printed in The Commercial Appeal, October 10.

"The Empress Dance Hall was many times in the record of the McNamara trial and in the trial of Rogers and Patton, who were convicted for assaulting the Bray girl.

"Up from the currents of life like so much spray young girls are swept by the wings of chance and mischance into the dance hall, and then out of this dance hall some are carried to destruction.

"Why is this Empress Dance Hall, or by whatever other name it may be called, permitted, still to flash its lights nightly and send out upon the air the beastlike tones of the jazz?

"If it is to be permitted to run, why not let the police, then, put a sign in letters of red fire across the front reading thus: 'THIS PLACE IS THE BEGINNING OF THE JOURNEY OF LOST SOULS.'

"Close it down. At least close it until the frenzy and fever that now rush through the brains and veins of our young people have subsided."

—Exchange.

A LIAR CONFESSES

Did you ever hear this prayer?

"Almighty God, as I sit here by the fire this lonely Sunday morning, surrounded by the Sunday paper, and half-listening to one of the big preachers over the radio, it has just come over me that I have lied to Thee and to myself. I said I was not well enough to go to church. That was not true. I was not ambitious enough. I would have gone to my office if it had been Monday morning. I would have played golf if it had been Wednesday afternoon. I would have been able to go to a picture show if it had been Friday night. But it was Sunday morning and Sunday sickness seems to cover a multitude of sins. God, have mercy on me. I have lied to Thee and to myself. I am not sick. I am a liar. Amen."

—Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—

Montgomery church, Lincoln county: I have just closed a revival meeting with Pastor A. W. Talbert. This is a real live church with a live pastor. They have a most constructive program and worked hard during each day of the meeting. The Lord blessed us with a good increase of souls and our hearts were made glad.—J. W. Sturdivant.

"After the Resurrection What?" by Dr. L. R. Scarborough, is a book of 120 pages, and it deals with the resurrection, appearance, teachings, commands and promises of Jesus. Anyone will profit by reading it. The publishers are Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich. The price is \$1.00.

Dr. Austin Crouch, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, informs us that during the month of July, Mississippi Baptists contributed a total of \$7,371.75 for southwide funds. \$1,468.55 was designated; \$848.34 was for the Hundred Thousand Club. Total receipts of the Executive Committee so far this year exceed the same period last year by \$617,578.37.

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A doting aunt and uncle were taking a very small but very lively boy for a walk. They kept him between them in order to protect him against any danger.

"Hullo, Bobby!" an acquaintance hailed the little fellow. "Is that your daddy and mamma?"

"No," retorted Bobby, "they're my convoys!"

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Record of Camp Attendance by Districts

	Jr.	Int.	Jr.	Int.	Total
	G. A.	G. A.	R. A.	R. A.	Y. W. A. Present
District 1	85	27	66	24	18
District 2	65	8	64	12	2
District 3	80	27	42	8	9
District 4	126	21	59	14	0
District 5	34	7	36	6	0
District 6	82	57	63	14	16
District 7	139	27	52	18	6
District 8	94	2	77	4	0
Counselors	79	9	51	4	3
Helpers	61	11	48	11	15
College Coun- sels		15		14	14
Day Campers		4		8	12
Totals	845	215	558	129	91

Church Represented in Camps

	Jr.	Int.	Jr.	Int.	Total
	G. A.	G. A.	R. A.	R. A.	Y. W. A. Present
District 1	17	12	12	7	9
District 2	15	3	12	3	2
District 3	12	8	8	3	2
District 4	21	5	10	6	0
District 5	9	2	6	2	0
District 6	19	18	17	5	7
District 7	27	8	11	4	2
District 8	12	1	14	2	0
Totals	132	57	90	32	22

Did You Know—

There were 1838 Young People and Counselors in W. M. U. camps this summer?

This is an increase of 134 over last summer.

There were 35 Mississippi Young Women in Y. W. A. camp at Ridgecrest. This is an increase of 2 over last summer.

Out of 68 associations, 58 had representation at State W. M. U. camps.

Associations not represent in district or state camps—

District 3—Carroll.

Tate.

District 4—Prentiss.

Tishomingo.

District 5—Clay.

Noxubee.

District 6—Kemper.

Neshoba.

District 7—Greene.

Wayne.

333 Baptist churches had representation in state W. M. U. camps. This is an increase of 39 over last year.

As I View the W. M. U. Camps

The purpose of these camps is Missions in the fullest meaning of the word; evangelism, to study more about His work, His world and His work in His world. Every activity of camp is planned with this purpose in mind. The program of camps is planned to include all phases of life—spiritual, intellectual, physical and social—Bible Hour, evangelistic devotionals, Mission study classes, methods conferences, advancement periods, missionary messages, recreational hours, folk games, folk songs, group singing, etc., etc.

The people who "made the camps" were the 1838 young people in attendance. I wish that I could pull aside the curtain and give you a first hand glimpse of these young people at camp.

The earnestness, enthusiasm and eagerness which is displayed give hope and promise to our hearts. Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi considers this one of her great opportunities and avenues through which Missionary Education for young people may be advanced. The results of these camps come as increased inspiration and information is translated and maintained and sustained in our churches. Many missionary-minded

leaders gave themselves in moulding and making for a fine spirit in camp. Missions is "caught as well as taught."

It would be impossible to mention all the people who helped in creating deep desires, new aspirations, high aims and who sought to guide into renewed consecration and participation in the plan God has made for individuals and the world, but we would especially thank the following:

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore, Yugoslavia.
Miss Amanda Tinkle, Nigeria, Africa.
Rev. Ira Marks, missionary to the French.
Mrs. Monell Graves, missionary of Home Mission Board.

Sheridan Lee, China.

David Mein, Brazil.

John Shephard, Brazil.

Miss Frances Traylor, Executive Secretary, Mississippi W. M. U.

Mrs. W. C. Tyler, Recording Secretary, W. M. U. Auxiliary S. B. C.

Mrs. C. B. Thomas, music.

Fred Scholfield, music.

Miss Laura Mae Butts, handcraft.

Mrs. Ruby McDowell, Meridian, mission study.

Miss Roma Jones, Jackson, mission study.

Miss Ruby Kirk, Grenada, mission study.

Miss Martha Lynn Brame, Yazoo City, mission study.

Training school girls—Edna Hickman, New Albany; Maudine Phillips, Philadelphia; Bessie Purvis, Laurel; Polly Love, Parchman; Verna Oden, Hattiesburg; Myrtis Foster, Jackson.

Seminary students—J. T. McRae, Buck Seitz.

Camp pastors, Royal Ambassador camps—W. L. Day, Louisville; J. L. Sullivan, Clinton; David Cranford, Charleston; J. B. Parker, Ripley; Rowe Holcomb, Kosciusko; C. B. Hamlett, III, Decatur; Robert L. Orr, Laurel; Fred Mosley, Gloster.

District Young People's leaders—Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Jackson; Mrs. Andrew Alexander, Greenville; Mrs. W. W. Gunn, Charleston; Mrs. J. J. McKinstry, Tupelo; Mrs. H. B. Longest, Gulfport; Mrs. E. T. Harvey, Liberty; district chairman, Mrs. I. L. Toler, Gloster; George Fenley, Texas, violin; Ivyloy Bishop, R. A. field worker.

Six of the ten college Y. W. A. presidents.

Ten college girls.

Twelve college men.

Some Outstanding Facts Concerning Camps

Evangelism—The Royal Ambassador camps each had a camp pastor, who through individual contacts and general messages presented the plan of salvation and gave opportunity for public profession. No high pressure methods were used. There were sixty boys who made such professions. In all of the Girls' Auxiliary camps similar contacts and presentation were made, realizing this is the heart of missions. Forty-four girls made such professions.

Recognition and coronation services:

Each year we find more boys and girls advancing in knowledge as they follow the plan of forward steps and ranking system. There were 381 girls who were climbing step by step. Twelve of them had reached the highest step of Queen Regent, twelve Queen with Scepter and 84 Queens. Many boys have attained full ranking Ambassador, scores of others are Pages, Squires and Knights.

These 18 camps are history but the prayer of my heart is that the blessings and benefits from them may be translated into lives and deeds.

BR

Montgomery church, Lincoln county: I have just closed a revival meeting with Pastor A. W. Talbert. This is a real live church with a live pastor. They have a most constructive program and worked hard during each day of the meeting. The Lord blessed us with a good increase of souls and our hearts were made glad.—J. W. Sturdivant.

A BAPTIST IN A PUERTO RICAN CHURCH (Continued from Page One)

church with his two little boys. Somehow his looks indicated to me that he could speak English. He could. He informed me about the church which was brought over from England years ago and operated on the basis of two services each Sunday—one in Spanish and one in English. The old negro was waiting for the English service to begin so my family and I waited with him. In the service there was a preacher, a five-man choir, a lady organist, and the congregation consisting of two Puerto Ricans, six Negroes, my family and I. I don't know what kind of a service it was; for it was a new one to me. They went through several maneuvers, most of which we just looked on. The preacher was nice and invited us to come back. We were also informed that that was the only English speaking church service in the entire town of over 18,000 people. There is not a Baptist church on the island of two million people. All of which are citizens of the United States. There is not a Baptist missionary here, and if you ask me this all adds up to a grand slam on your church.

Oh yes, at the services, my oldest boy wanted to know what that man was coming down there in his bathrobe for. I couldn't tell him.

The trip over was a pleasant one. I left Mississippi at midnight July 10th; left Miami, Florida, July 15, via Stratoliner with 4600 horsepower to lift us three miles up and 200 miles per hour.

I took up flying sometime ago, and received my airman's permit from the CAA just a short time before I left the States. Tell J. W. Thomas when you see him that I stopped in Miami, Florida, and flew a seaplane; it was some fun.

My family came over on the 18th via Clipper. We all made the trip from Miami in one day (less) with only one stop. For the first time in my life I was able to look down on clouds and rain storms. Believe me, that is going to be my way of making these long trips from now on.

I was landed in San Juan at the naval base, hauled to the gate and dumped out. I didn't know where I was supposed to go nor how to get there. I finally managed to hire a publico (taxi). I could not speak their language. I rode approximately half a mile and all the English the driver could speak was "2.50."

We are learning to speak Spanish, and I think we will live in spite of the fact that there is no hunting or fishing down here. Don't let Moon Lake dry up before I get back.

Heard about your fine church; save us a pew, for we'll be back some glad day, the Lord being willing.

Yours,

T. A. (RED) HESTER.

BR

At Shady Grove church, Smith county, I assisted Pastor S. E. Sumrall in a revival meeting. Much interest was manifested and the cooperation of the young people was very inspiring.—C. W. Thompson, Laurel, Miss.

Ruth Baptist Church, Lincoln county: Under the leadership of Rev. Joe Clapp, Jr., of Trinity Baptist Church, New Orleans, our church has experienced a spiritual awakening. The personal work of the young people was stimulating. There were 23 additions; 16 of these for baptism.—L. E. Smith, pastor.

Barton church, George county, under the leadership of Pastor S. E. Nix, who organized this church, has closed its annual revival. Rev. C. W. Thompson of Laurel was the visiting preacher. They are planning a full-time church now with a resident pastor.—Reporter.

Churches Over The Top

According to Records in Convention Board Office

Mississippi Baptists will be glad to see the names of the 450 churches having accepted their goals in the Now Club plan of victory against debt. These churches are "over the top" so far as pledging is concerned.

We are sure other churches are also "over" in this particular but we have no record of their action in the office. We will be glad to hear from you.

While this is a fine list of "leaders" there should be twice or three times as many churches listed. It will take that to bring total Victory!

Why not NOW?

The list follows:

ALCORN ASSOCIATION

Antioch
Kossuth
Tishomingo

ATTALA

Antioch
Bear Creek
Bowlin
County Line
Ebenezer
Ethel
McAdams
Pleasant Ridge
Sallis
Sand Hill
Springdale
Unity
Yockanookany
Williamsville

BENTON

Curtis Creek
Hickory Flat
Pine Grove
Pleasant Hill

BOLIVAR

Boyle
Beulah
Cleveland
Duncan
Gunnison
Shelby

CALHOUN

Duncan Hill
Midway
Mt. Tabor
Pittsboro
CARROLL
Carrollton
Calvary
Mt. Olive
New Salem
Valden

CHICKASAW

Mt. Olive
Pleasant Grove
Shiloh

CHOCTAW

Ackerman
Bethlehem
Beulah
Bluff Springs
Chester
Clear Springs
Concord
Covenant
Crape Creek
Ebenezer
Fellowship
Fentress
French Camp
McCurtains Creek
Mt. Moriah
New Haven
New Zion
Providence
Weir
Wood Springs
Spring Hill

CLARKE

Oak Grove
CLAY

COLUMBUS

New Salem
Pleasant Hill

COPIAH

Antioch
Bethel
Carpenter
Crystal Springs
Damascus
Galilee
Gallman
Gatesville
Georgetown
Hopewell
New Zion
New Providence
Pilgrim's Rest
Pearl Valley
Pleasant Hill
Poplar Springs
Rockport
Shady Grove
Smyrna
Sylvarena

COVINGTON

Mt. Horeb
Sanford
Willow Grove
DEER CREEK
Arcola
Cary
Catchings
Four Mile
Gooden Lake
Priscilla
Rolling Fork
Spanish Fort
Silver City
Straight Bayou
Tabernacle

DE SOTO

Gray's Creek
Pleasant Hill
FRANKLIN
Bude
Bunkley
Eddiceton
Concord
Hopewell
Mt. Zion
Natchez, First
New Salem
Pleasant Valley
Providence
Quentin
Sarepta

GRENADA

Graysport
Holcomb
GEORGE
Barton
Lucedale

GREENE

County Line
GULF COAST
Biloxi, Second
Bowen Memorial
Pass Christian

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GULF COAST
Biloxi, Second
Bowen Memorial
Pass Christian

HINDS-WARREN

Antioch
Bethesda
Beulah Memorial
Bolton
Clinton
Chapel Hill
Jackson, North Side
Jackson, Parkway
Raymond
Utica
Van Winkle

HOLMES

Central
Emory
Oak Grove
Oregon
Pickens
Tchula

ITAWAMBA

Pleasant Ridge
Pleasant Grove
JACKSON
East Moss Point
Escatawpa
Ocean Springs
Pascagoula, First
Red Creek Union
Pascagoula, Second

JASPER

Bay Springs
Edon
Louin
Montrose
New Fellowship

JEFF DAVIS

Antioch
Carson
Dublin
JONES
Ellisville
Friendship
Laurel, First
Ovett
Pine Grove

KEMPER

Antioch
Bay Springs
Blackwater
Bluff Springs
Center Ridge
DeKalb
Salem

LAUDERDALE

Scooba

LAFAYETTE

Bethany
Fellowship
Goodwater
New Hope
Oak Grove
Pine Grove
Salem
Toomsuba

LAWRENCE

Antioch
Arm

LEAKE

Calvary
New Zion
Oakvale
Silver Creek
LEAKE
Bethel
Carthage
Cedar Grove
Center Hill
Corinth
Freeny
Friendship
Good Hope
Madden
Mars Hill
Midway
Mt. Carmel
Mt. Zion
New Hope
New Prospect
New Providence
New Zion
Pleasant Hill

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ROCKY POINT

Salem
Springfield
Standing Pine
Thomastown
Tuscola
Walnut Grove
Union Ridge
LEBANON
Big Level
Brooklyn
Calvary
Carterville
Dixie
Glendale
Good Hope
Green's Creek
Hattiesburg, First
Hattiesburg, River Ave.
Lumberton
Macedonia
Oral
Perkinston
Richburg
Wiggins
Zion Hill

LEE

Bissell
Guntown
Saltillo
Tupelo, Calvary
LEFLORE
Morgan City
Sidon
LINCOLN
Bethel
Friendship
Gum Grove
Bogue Chitto
Clear Branch
Heuck's Retreat
Mission Hill
Pearl Haven
Philadelphia
Pleasant Grove
Topisaw

MADISON

Improve
Kokomo
Oloh
MARSHALL
Holly Springs
New Harmony
Pleasant Grove

MISSISSIPPI

Crosby
Galilee
Liberty
New Zion
MONROE
Athens
Becker
Center Hill
New Prospect
Quincy
Splunge

MONTGOMERY

Coldwater
Hope
Linwood
Laurel Hill
Neshoba
New Black Jack
Pearl Valley
Sardis
Spring Creek

NEWTON

Decatur
Good Hope
Hickory
Mt. Pleasant
New Ireland
Rock Branch
Union

NOXUBEE

Brooksville
Macon

OKTIBBEHA

Bethesda
Double Springs
Morgan Chapel
PANOLA
Askew
Crenshaw
Enon
Good Hope
Hebron
Longtown
Peach Creek
Pilgrim's Rest
Pope
Sardis
Union

PEARL RIVER

Carriere
Corinth
Ford's Creek
Oak Hill
Picayune
Pine Grove
Spring Hill
PERRY
Progress
Prospect
Runnelstown
Union
PIKE
Friendship
Navilla
Summit
PONTOTOC
Toccpola
PRENTISS
Mt. Olive
Oak Hill
Osborne Creek
RANKIN
Antioch
Barefoot Springs
Bethel
Brandon
Briar Hill
Cato
Clear Creek
Clear Branch
County Line
Concord
Dry Creek
East Side
Fannin
Hickory Ridge
Leesburg
Liberty
Mizpah
Mt. Pisgah
Oak Dale
Pearl City
Richland
Rock Bluff
Rock Hill
Steen's Creek
Mtn. Creek
Union

RIVERSIDE

Sledge
SCOTT
Branch
Hillsboro
Harperville
Hebron
Mt. Olivet
Oak Grove
Pulaski
Ridge
Sand Ridge
Sardis
Steel
Union
SIMPSON
Athens
Bethlehem
Beulah
Braxton
Coat
Corinth
D'Lo
Dry Creek

KENNEDY SPRINGS

Magee
Mt. Zion
New Bethlehem
New Zion
Pine Grove
Pinola
Pleasant Hill
Poplar Springs
Pleasant Valley
Stonewall
Strong River

SMITH

Sylvarena
Wilkinson Memorial
SUNFLOWER
Fairview
Bethel No. 5
Blaine
Dockery
Doddsville
Holly Grove
Inverness
Moorhead
Rome
Roundaway
Sunflower

TALLAHATCHIE

Paynes
Charleston
Corinth
Friendship No. 1
Friendship No. 2
Mt. Pisgah
Phillip
TATE
Ebenezer
Flag Lake
Strayhorn

TIPPAH

Dumas
El Bethel
Lowrey Memorial
Pine Grove
Providence
Ripley
Tiplersville
Walnut
TISHOMINGO
Cross Roads
Highland
New Liberty
New Prospect
UNION COUNTY
Glenfield
Myrtle
Pleasant Hill
New Albany
Wallerville

UNION

Elmo
Unity
WALTHALL
Crystal Springs
Dinan
Enon
Knox
Lexie
Magee's Creek
New Zion
Salem
Tylertown
Union

WAYNE

Big Creek
Mt. Zion
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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

Rev. Tom L. Pfeifer Joins 100% Crowd

"He leadeth me, O blessed thought!" might be the theme song of Thomas L. Pfeifer. From Illinois, by way of New Orleans, this progressive young



REV. TOM L. PFEIFER

minister came to Mississippi. Through varied paths God has led him. Born in Missouri, and reared on a fruit farm, Bro. Pfeifer can offer understanding and loving leadership for rural churches.

After his marriage he lived in East St. Louis, Ill., where he made his living as a professional musician and radio artist for six years. Ap-

pearing on local and network stations, he was master of ceremonies for three years in his radio show.

But God had something else in His plan and He drew young Pfeifer to Christ, and the professional musician became a follower of the Savior. Withdrawing from the old life, and resigning his position, he accepted work as maintenance man with an East St. Louis manufacturing firm. While he was working at this job God's call came to him to enter the ministry. He answered. He went to Baptist Bible Institute and completed the Christian training course there. He then entered Mississippi College where he is now a junior.

Mrs. Pfeifer is a real helpmeet, and as a student at Hillman College, she made an excellent record. They have two children, Bonnie Jean, 11, and Ronnie Leo, aged 2.

Four fine churches in Franklin county called Bro. Pfeifer as pastor, and he is leading these people in progressive paths in God's work, actively participating in every phase of the movement designed to promote the kingdom of Christ. Each of these churches is an EVERY FAMILY church, making their pastor eligible for membership in that exclusive and ever-growing club of "One Hundred Percenters" in The Baptist Record files. His churches are O'Zion, Sarepta, New Hope and Damascus.

—BR—

This is True in Most Cases

In my churches the people who are really supporting the work financially and otherwise are those who are taking The Record.

Liberty

We had the pleasure of preaching in the revival meeting at Liberty and if ever a preacher was royally treated, we were. Rev. C. M. Day (a Pontotoc boy) is making good as pastor. In the first six months of 1942 they have given more to the Cooperative Program than in any previous year. A lot has been bought and paid for. An educational building is contemplated when conditions permit. Finances are in good shape, and all bills are paid as due. There are seventy-one tithers.

The Sunday school, led by Superintendent H. G. Rice, has been standard for two years. Mrs. Jack Ewing, president of the W. M. U., is proud of the fact that it is one of the few A-1 unions in the state. W. P. Byrd is doing good work as B. T. U. director.

The annual V. B. S., Mrs. E. T. Harvey, principal, was held in connection with the revival. There were 17 additions.

The fellowship of the Amite county pastors is a

THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY IN WARTIME

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Union attendance.

The increase in giving has been noted throughout the South, largely due to increased income of church members now employed in war industries. It fits well into the Southern Baptist program to pay all denominational indebtedness in 1943 and set up a fund for a world-encircling mission program at the war's close. Too, it is enabling many churches to plan for the enlargement of their buildings in preparation for a strengthened program "when the boys come home."

The war has brought a "decided difference" in the preaching of a majority of the ministers questioned, Dr. Dobbins said. As a rule, frequent mention is made to the war, and many pastors are preaching sermon series on war subjects. Typical subjects are "Uncle Sam on the Mourner's Bench," "The Price of Victory," "The All-Out Effort," "An Impossible Blackout," "God's Blood Bank," "Salvage for Victory," and "Why I Believe in World Missions."

The turning to war subjects does not deflect from the gospel message, these pastors assured Dr. Dobbins. Instead, it gives concrete illustrations on which to peg the sermon, and stimulates within the congregation a deep desire to look to Christianity as the solution to today's world issues.

One minister, however, replied, "In preaching I refer to the war, but only incidentally. I believe the same principles that make for stability at one time will make for stability at another. In public prayers we more often refer to the securing of world peace."

And completely different is the minister who has promised his congregation they can come to his preaching services and, for that hour in the week, not hear a single mention of the war.

Aside from their preaching, the pastors are being kept busy in a ministry to soldiers and families affected by the war. They visit families from which members have gone, counsel with draftees and others and contact by correspondence or otherwise those who have gone from the church. In military areas they work directly with the men.

Many are participating in Red Cross, air raid and similar safety service, and in the United Service

joy to any pastor. Pastor Lee Bullard, of Gloster, attended, not one service, but two.

Business houses sometimes close for a revival when requested to do so, but at Liberty most of them closed without any request being made.

Amite county Record readers are listed as follows: BERWICK 36, CROSBY 78, GILLSBURY 63, GLOSTER 101, Hebron 8, LIBERTY 127, Liberty RFD 1, MARS HILL 89, Mt. Olive 4, Mt. Pleasant 1, MT. VERNON 40, Smithdale 2, Smithdale RFD 1, New Zion 1.

EVERY FAMILY Churches Lead 82 to 18

On page five of last week's Baptist Record the bookkeeping department of the Convention Board listed the per capita gifts of 100 Mississippi churches which were among the leading contributors for 1941.

For almost eight years we have been claiming (and producing the figures) that churches with the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record, as a rule, did more and gave more than churches with few Baptist Record readers.

Last week's list named 100 churches. We suggest that you again look at the list.

Eighty-two of the one hundred churches are EVERY FAMILY churches except four or five, which have one-half or more of their families as subscribers.

There must be some merit about the EVERY FAMILY Plan, when the score in its favor is 82 to 18.

Of course, no one thinks that The Baptist Record alone produced these results, but it helped.

Pastors can help their work by leading their churches to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Churches can do a wise thing by adopting the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

The EVERY FAMILY Plan will help the pastor, the people, the work.

CHURCHES OVER THE TOP

(Continued from Page Eight)

Goodwater	Melrose
Rocky Springs	Mathiston
Oak Grove	Montevista
Yazoo City	Mantee
ZION	Pilgrim's Rest
Double Springs	Sapa
Eupora	Walthall

Organizations. Throughout the correspondence however, there was graphic evidence that ministers who helped organize U. S. O. units are now in a dilemma because of its secularized program.

Speaking of a U. S. O. dance to which 60 girls went from his community, a Missouri pastor commented, "Such evils as these are damning our best war efforts."

"We ministers are going to find it necessary to roll up our sleeves and get down on our knees in these terrible times," the same pastor continued. "Few of the ministers of other denominations will stand by us on these issues. We Baptist preachers must stand for righteousness even if we stand alone."

In the main there have been no radical changes in the church program itself, Dr. Dobbins reported. Many churches are holding special services and have inaugurated new activities for service men and defense workers in the community. In no cases have services been cancelled.

Transportation was listed as the chief difficulty being experienced by the churches. In seeking to remedy it, the churches are leading in solving the entire community's problem. Questionnaires being given out to members in many of the churches seek to work out methods where families may double up and ride in the same car to church and extend this same arrangement for regular and economical transportation of the working members to and from work on weekdays.

Disruption of routine, war mindedness, absorption in material things and distractions from spiritual interests were marked by the preachers as other difficulties in church work just now.

Deepening of the spiritual life of the community, through deeper consecration of individuals, was given unanimously as the best strategy in meeting the challenge of the crisis. The preachers are basing their sermons on the greater and more evangelistic themes of the Bible, as they aim to give sanity to the war effort and instill a spirit of "fighting without hate and without vengeance."

"The only hope in the remaking of society," Dr. Dobbins commented, "comes by changed individuals in changed groups in a changed society with hearts set in Christian sharing. Changed individuals are the fruit of teaching and preaching. Thus upon the church and the preacher falls the responsibility of remaking the world."

SPECIAL--Summer Bargain

Special Summer Bargain No. 1		ALL FIVE FOR ONLY
American Poultry Journal	1 year	\$1.85
Farm Journal & Farmer's Wife	1 year	
Mother's Home Life	1 year	
Progressive Farmer	1 year	
THIS NEWSPAPER	1 year	

Special Summer Bargain No. 2		ALL SIX FOR ONLY
Farm Journal & Farmer's Wife	1 year	\$2.15
Pathfinder (weekly)	26 issues	
American Poultry Journal	1 year	
Household Magazine	1 year	
Progressive Farmer	1 year	
THIS NEWSPAPER	1 year	

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One Hundred Churches

JANUARY-JUNE 1942

In a recent issue of The Baptist Record there appeared a list of Mississippi Baptist churches and their contributions to various causes of Christ, as made through your Convention Board office the first six months of this year.

The Bookkeeping Department now presents the 100 churches, in groups of 25 leading in total contributions, namely, Cooperative Program, Designated and Now Club Causes.

Thank you and may God bless you: The list follows:

First Twenty-Five

1. Jackson, First	\$12,492.56
2. Jackson, Calvary	6,022.89
3. Leland	5,963.27
4. Meridian, First	4,873.80
5. Laurel, First	4,346.28
6. Columbus, First	4,477.73
7. Tupelo, Calvary	3,817.32
8. McComb, First	3,676.53
9. Vicksburg, First	3,440.68
10. Hattiesburg, First	3,369.97
11. Greenwood, First	3,343.20
12. Brookhaven, First	3,307.58
13. Grenada, First	2,807.87
14. Clinton	2,726.40
15. Canton, First	2,682.80
16. Belzoni	2,598.23
17. Moorhead	2,446.35
18. Holly Springs	2,234.24
19. Meridian, Poplar Springs	2,233.88
20. Crystal Springs (Copiah)	2,223.28
21. Lowrey Memorial	2,217.67
22. Walnut Grove	2,170.52
23. West Point, First	2,087.64
24. Picayune	1,913.28
25. Tylertown	1,877.45

Total, 1st group \$89,851.47

Second Twenty-Five

1. Hattiesburg, Main St.	\$ 1,771.04
2. Jackson, Griffith Memorial	1,767.63
3. Greenville, First	1,689.03
4. Columbia, First	1,665.47
5. Louisville	1,575.32
6. Clarksdale	1,537.02
7. Gulfport, First	1,515.59
8. New Albany	1,458.15
9. Magee	1,332.30
10. Drew	1,324.79
11. Kosciusko, First	1,315.97
12. Indianola	1,310.48
13. Laurel, West	1,266.75
14. Yazoo City	1,258.10
15. Prentiss (Jeff Davis)	1,245.42
16. Corinth, First	1,191.40
17. Philadelphia (Neshoba)	1,191.08
18. Forest	1,175.89
19. Pontotoc	1,127.38
20. Calhoun City	1,113.10
21. Quitman (Clarke Co.)	1,093.73
22. Lyon	1,014.70
23. Hazlehurst	989.70
24. Jackson, Parkway	932.52
25. Charleston	924.80

Total, 2nd group \$32,787.66

Third Twenty-Five

1. Sardis (Panola)	\$ 914.64
2. Newton	900.58
3. Lucedale	898.57
4. Starkville	897.91
5. Meridian, Highland	779.77
6. Natchez, First	771.04
7. Water Valley	742.10
8. Pascagoula, First	734.36
9. Laurel, Second Avenue	730.13
10. Morton	719.80
11. Coldwater, Central	712.18
12. Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	678.95
13. Meridian, South Side	674.01
14. Sunflower	665.49

A SIDE-LIGHT ON THE CHAPLAINCY

All in all, I have all I can do in the chaplaincy and the challenge is always great. I am preaching three to four times each Sunday. I have begun a Bible class in my office on Sunday morning in which there is a good deal of interest being manifested. I often spend an hour or two at night visiting the men in their tents. This procedure is very effective if done in the right spirit and tactfully. A chaplain always has to work up the attendance for each service. An unusual circumstance obtains in my battalion: the officers attend church better than do the men. The officers are for the most part educated and refined gentlemen.

The other day I was called to the hospital to see a man who had been threatening to kill himself. By the grace of God, before I left him, he was rejoicing in the salvation which is in Christ Jesus.

As in all phases of my work as a chaplain, I try in the hospital to be a real minister of Christ. Each time I go to the hospital I carry a little black box filled with tracts and Testaments. The men eagerly receive and read the tracts and Testaments—even many of the Catholics. Some of them have learned what is in the box and want to know immediately whether I have any new tracts. Al-

15. Liberty (Mississippi)	663.36
16. Batesville	645.66
17. Amory	594.11
18. Ripley	592.50
19. Gloster, Galilee	591.39
20. Bay Springs	589.91
21. Durant, First	585.08
22. Rolling Fork	575.94
23. Moss Point, First	566.11
24. Ellisville	565.72
25. Carthage	554.21

Total 3rd group \$17,343.62

Fourth Twenty-Five

1. Union (Newton)	\$ 554.15
2. Biloxi, First	552.10
3. Lexington	552.01
4. Sumner	544.43
5. Houston	526.35
6. McComb, Central	523.66
7. Mars Hill (Mississippi)	517.98
8. Sledge	506.99
9. Lumberton	504.73
10. Oxford, First	501.15
11. Oak Grove (Lauderdale)	498.58
12. Poplarville	494.07
13. Salem (Covington)	490.62
14. Mendenhall	488.67
15. Magnolia	488.10
16. Tupelo, First	480.52
17. Meridian, 41st Avenue	469.32
18. Union (Pearl River)	462.76
19. Ruleville	457.75
20. Aberdeen	456.77
21. Booneville	452.33
22. Hollandale	438.11
23. McComb, East	437.35
24. Waynesboro	435.42
25. Tunica	425.52

Total, 4th group \$12,259.93

We list these four churches as they complete the list of those whose total contributions exceeded the \$400 mark.

1. Cleveland	\$ 423.50
2. Winona	422.99
3. Merigold	416.00
4. Senatobia	412.13

Total \$ 1,674.63

THE TITHING CORNER

"THAT YE MAY KNOW"

(Eph. 1:18-19)

"The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints. And what is the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power."

In a few weeks I will be eighty years old—have been a Christian for more than sixty-five years. In that time I have learned that we may know—not think or hope or believe—but know "the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe."

My Experience in Tithing

I was working for a firm when the senior partner died and they went out of business. I decided I would buy out the department I managed (dress-making and millinery) and go in business for myself.

I had no money. I had a crippled mother and a child to take care of. The firm sold me the goods in the department for \$1,500, making three notes of \$500 each, payable in one year. The lawyer who drew up the notes said, "Nobody but a fool or a woman would undertake such a thing."

I rented a small store, added a few most every time I return from the hospital the little box is empty.

Mark Lowry, Chaplain,
435th Sep CA BN (AA)
Camp Hulen, Texas.

new goods, bought on time, and went to work. In those days we marked goods with some word with ten letters, all different, each letter representing a numeral. I chose:

LORD WITH US
1234 5678 90

I marked every article of goods with this inscription.

As we marked I prayed that the Lord would be with us in all we did, would give us success—promised I would give the tenth.

I worked hard—almost day and night during the height of the season. The way was not always smooth. I had many hard problems that required much praying to solve. Many personal sorrows came to me that year. I lost my mother and passed through deep and trying experiences. But my business prospered and the Lord was with me. I took up each note as it fell due.

There have been a few times in my life when I did not strictly tithe. I was, under circumstances where it seemed I could not, but, beloved, this is the greatest mistake a Christian can make. He misses not only the blessing, but the close intimacy of partnership with God; some unnameable thing comes between him and his Lord, and then he drifts.

God will collect His own from His children, with usury, if they do not bring it to Him voluntarily. It may be business loss, accident, or doctors' bills.

The only way to be a happy Christian is to take God at His word.

Mrs. J. T. Cotten, Jackson.

—BR—

"Jesus did not rise to an occasion. He met it."—W. O. Carver.

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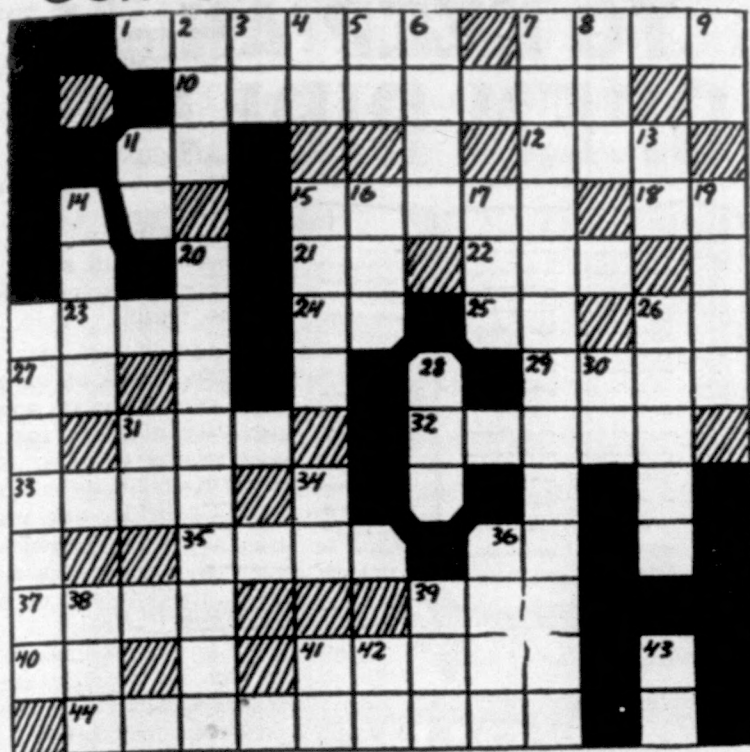
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OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"Children, how hard it is for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God."—Mark 10:24.

THE RICH

HORIZONTAL

- 1 "It is . . . for a camel to go through the eye of a needle," Mark 10:25.
- 7 See 36 down.
- 10 "But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have . . . your consolation," Luke 6:24.
- 11 "Father Abraham, have mercy on . . ." Luke 16:24.
- 12 Companion of the Star of India.
- 15 "If I am tormented in this . . ." Luke 16:24.
- 18 New England state.
- 21 Same as 5 down.
- 22 Levitical city in Simeon, I Chron. 4:32.
- 23 Sphere.
- 24 Lieutenant.
- 25 Part of the Bible.
- 26 Half even.
- 27 Brother: bromine.
- 29 "a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and . . . linen," Luke 16:19.
- 31 "but if . . . went unto them from the dead, they will repent," Luke 16:30.
- 32 "how hard it is for them that . . . in riches to enter into the kingdom of God," Mark 10:24.
- 33 "thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy . . . things," Luke 16:25.
- 35 "lest they . . . bid thee again," Luke 14:12.
- 36 Royal navy.
- 37 "heareth the word, and . . . with joy receiveth it," Matt. 13:20.
- 39 Greek form of Noah, Matt. 24:37.
- 40 Proposed international language.
- 41 "he that taketh not his . . . and followeth after me is not worthy of me," Matt. 10:38.
- 44 "Lay not up for yourselves . . . upon earth," Matt. 6:19.

VERTICAL

- 2 "By humility and the fear of the Lord . . . riches, and honour, and life," Prov. 22:4.
- 3 Compass point.
- 4 Suffix signifying connected with.
- 5 Eye (Scot.).
- 6 In anatomy, a fissure.
- 7 "and the . . . of riches, choke the word," Matt. 13:22.
- 8 Editors.
- 9 "are these which bear the word of God, and . . . it," Luke 8:21.
- 11 "and cool . . . tongue," Luke 16:24.
- 13 "But lay up for yourselves treasures . . . heaven," Matt. 6:20.
- 14 "The rich and . . . meet together," Prov. 22:2.
- 15 "desiring to be fed with the crumbs

which . . . from the rich man's table," Luke 16:21.

- 16 "They have Moses and the prophets; . . . them hear them," Luke 16:29.
- 17 "than for a rich . . . to enter into the kingdom of God," Matt. 19:24.
- 19 "How hardly shall they that . . . riches enter into the kingdom of God," Mark 10:23.
- 20 "for a man's life consisteth not in the . . . of the things which he possesseth," Luke 12:15.
- 26 "That a rich man shall hardly . . . into the kingdom of heaven," Matt. 19:23.
- 27 "And there was a certain . . . named Lazarus," Luke 16:20.
- 28 "I . . . no pleasant bread," Dan. 10:3.
- 30 "For where your treasure . . . there will your heart be also," Matt. 6:21.
- 31 Yellow bird.
- 34 "riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away . . . an eagle toward heaven," Prov. 23:5.
- 36 and 7 across "neither will they be persuaded, though one . . . from the . . ." Luke 16:31.
- 38 "makest a dinner or a supper, call . . . thy friends, nor thy brethren," Luke 14:12.
- 39 "neither thy kinsmen, . . . thy rich neighbours," Luke 14:12.
- 41 Civil service.
- 42 Runic; ruthenium.
- 43 "then whose shall those things . . . which thou hast provided," Luke 12:20.

—BR—

Teacher: "How is it that you have written only ten lines on 'Milk' and the others have written pages?"
Pupil: "I wrote about condensed milk."

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



Can you answer the four Biblical questions below? One correct answer is passing; two are fair; three are good, and four perfect.

Several Simon's are mentioned in the Bible, on of them having a trade, or profession. What was his trade?

...

Women of Bible times, (and also of today), painted their faces, and eyes to make them lustrous. Where are these references found?

Joseph was married to the daughter of a priest. Can you name the daughter, and the priest's title?

...

What does the name of the chief city in Palestine, (Jerusalem) mean? The complete meaning is found on page 15.

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NEWTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

I am taking this opportunity to make a statement and an appeal to the Newton County Baptist Association. Upon the recent resignation of Rev. H. H. Bethune because of illness, the moderatorship of our association fell heavily upon my shoulders. I am sure that the churches and the fellowship of the association as a whole will remember me prayerfully in these months in which I shall attempt to act as moderator and shall give their loyal support to our associational program.

October 4-11 has been set by the association for a county-wide evangelistic campaign. It is the purpose of this special evangelistic effort for there to be one additional revival in each church over and above its regular program, and that we might win our county for Christ.

Fifteen of the twenty-three churches of our association have already given assurance of their cooperation. They are Newton, Bethel, Rock Branch, Decatur, New Ireland, Union, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Pleasant, Stratton, Lawrence, Midway, Cross Roads, Pleasant Hill, Pinkney and Liberty. The other churches have been notified and are considering the challenge and we are hopeful of 100% cooperation. In addition, the Baptist churches of other associations within our county are invited to join with us in this great revival movement. It is hoped that we shall be able to have

BLUE MOUNTAIN GRADUATION

With the awarding of degrees to sixteen graduates at the August convocation at the close of the summer term of the sixty-ninth annual session of Blue Mountain College, the total number of graduates for the session was brought to sixty-four.

Dr. Frank M. Powell, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, was the speaker. The substance of his address was: "Your life is your capital—invest it well."

President Lawrence T. Lowrey conferred the degrees on the following: Mae Burney, Ackerman; Sadie Frances Clark, Mary Estell Griffin, Pontotoc; Eunice Evelyn Cockerham, Gunnison; Helen Joseph Davis, Willie Lou Vinson, Guntown; Pauline Early, Water Valley; Mrs. Thelma Graham Godfrey, Fulton; Falba Allene Hancock, Myrtle; Estha Lazette Kidd, Ashland; Sara Dees Peeler, Sara Lou Reed, Mary Miller Richey, Ripley; Mrs. Mary Senter tSickmon, Blytheville, Arkansas; Sadie Faye Vaughn, Gilmer, Texas; Beulah Pearl Witt, Amory.

an evangelist in each community house and in "brush arbors" in unchurched areas.

Your loyal support and splendid cooperation already given in this great work has been greatly appreciated.

C. B. Hamlett, III, Moderator,
Newton County Baptist Association.

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Lesson for August 23, 1942
JACOB'S VISION OF GOD
Genesis 27-28

Infirm and blind, Isaac at 137 years of age determined to bestow the patriarchal blessing upon his favorite son, Esau, then 77 years of age. Overhearing the proposal, Rebekah counterplotted in order that her favorite son, Jacob, might win the coveted benediction instead of his twin brother. The deception involved in her plan was unjustifiable but it was turned into the current of the divine purpose and so was overruled for the good of the millions yet to be.

However, the promoters of the scheme had to suffer the penalty of separation and exile. The anger of Esau threatened the life of Jacob and there was safety only in a wide and long separation. So Jacob in the vigor of his manhood set out with the blessing of his parents toward Haran, the home of Rebekah's kindred and once the residence of Abraham. Since Beersheba, the home of Isaac, was the southern outpost of Canaan about fifty miles south of Jerusalem, the journey of Jacob covered a distance of about 550 miles. The only stopping place of interest along the way was Bethel, sixty-two miles northward from Beersheba.

Lesson Text and Outline Genesis 28:10-22

I. The Visit.

10 And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran. 11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took one of the stones of the place, and put it under his head, and lay down in that place to sleep.

II. The Vision.

12 And he dreamed; and, behold, a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven; and, behold, the angels of God ascending and descending on it. 13 And, behold, Jehovah stood above it, and said, I am Jehovah, the God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; 14 and thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. 15 And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land: for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of. 16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely Jehovah is in this place; and I knew it not. 17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

III. The Vow.

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. 19 And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, 21 so that I come again to my father's house in peace, and Jehovah will be my God, 22 then this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. In the evening Jacob reached Bethel probably after the journey of a single strenuous day. He rose early, carried little or no baggage, walked rapidly, and halted not until after the sun was down. It was a hard day for even his muscular frame, and he would be in no mood to hunt for comforts at nightfall. The place where darkness overtook him was not inviting, but it was in the path to Haran and he was content. With little choice and no ceremony he took one of the rounded stones of the locality and put it under his head and lay down to sleep. Hard was the bed and wild were the surroundings, but soon the wearied traveler fell into a deep slumber.

2. During the night he had one of the greatest visions on record. Not infrequently in Bible times the will and the blessing of God were conveyed in dreams. It was so in the case of Jacob at Bethel. The down-flashing of glory came upon him as he was able to bear it. First, he saw the shining stairway connecting earth and heaven. Then he beheld the radiant angels on the line of communication. So while the vision of the ladder showed that there was connection between earth and heaven, the vision of the angels upon it revealed the fact of inter-travel and communication. But the greatest wonder of all was the ineffable glory of God himself who crowned the majestic scene. And the vision of deity identified with the God of Abraham and of Isaac reached its culmination in the fivefold promise to the sleeping pilgrim. The first was the promise of the land of Canaan for his descendants. The second was the promise of national greatness, for his posterity should be as the dust of the earth in multitude and outspreading in their influence to the four quarters of the globe. The third was the promise of worldwide blessing through him and his descendants, especially as fulfilled in the Messiah. The fourth was the promise of personal protection on his long journey. The last was the promise of safe return in due time to his old home. No wonder that the senses of Jacob were so overcome with the glory that loomed up before him that he was aroused from his slumber and filled with reverential awe because of the nearness of God.

3. In the morning he rose early for worship and girded for the path ahead. At what time of night the vision occurred and what followed before dawn we do not know. But as soon as there was light sufficient Jacob changed into an altar the rude stone on which he had slept and poured oil upon it in devout sacrifice to God. Such a spot was worthy of a suitable nomenclature. Heretofore the region had been called Luz, but now it took the new and better name of Bethel which means "House of God." But before turning away from the scene memorable ever afterward,

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the pilgrim made a vow in accordance with a purpose suggested by the promise God had just made to him. Since he was to have on his way to Haran, during his stay there, and on the return to Canaan, the divine presence, protection, and prosperity, Jacob determined to set aside one-tenth of his income for sacred purposes. By his rock altar there in the morning twilight he made his earnest and acceptable vow to God. Then onward to Haran and the future he journeyed to find true the promise of God through all the years.

The Lesson of the Lesson Get the Blessing of Bethel

- 1) The Blessing of Security. "Out from Beersheba."
- (2) The Blessing of Solitariness. "A certain place."
- (3) The Blessing of Repose. "Tarry there all night."
- (4) The Blessing of Vision. "He dreamed."
- (5) The Blessing of Communion. "The Lord stood above it, and said."
- (6) The Blessing of Assurance. "With thee—will keep thee—will bring thee—will not leave thee."
- (7) The Blessing of Solemnity. "How dreadful is this place."
- (8) The Blessing of Sacrifice. "Took the stone—set it up for a pillar—poured oil upon the top of it."
- (9) The Blessing of Consecration. "Jacob vowed a vow."
- (10) The Blessing of Preparation.

"The message of Christ must go through to all humanity. It must be demonstrated through deeds and lives of individual Christians, and not only from the church pulpit at designated times of the week to limited audiences."—Forrest C. Feezor.

"Jesus refused to be narrowed by anyone's prejudices or opinions. He insisted on relating himself to all men of all races, kinds and tribes. He ministered to all their varied needs."—W. O. Carver.

"Once we change the thinking of men, we need not worry about the battle fields because then there will be no war. Christian thinking will weld together all men in united brotherhood."—Edward H. Pruden.

"If God will be with me."

Gold in the Golden Text

I am with thee, and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest. Genesis 28:15.

We can rely absolutely on the promises of God. There is the promise of His presence with us in mercy every moment of our lives. There is the promise of His protection from every peril and from all harm. There is the promise of His guidance, whithersoever we go on the road to the Better Land. How precious are His promises!

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Many friends will remember Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kosanke of Brookhaven. Mr. Kosanke was the Educational Director of the Brookhaven church for several years under the pastorate of Brother Crittendon. On accepting the work as pastor of the Ponca City, Oklahoma, church, by Brother Crittendon, Mr. Kosanke accepted the place as Educational Director of that good church and has for several years now lived there. Mrs. Kosanke is a native Mississippian and was Miss Virginia Loftin, daughter of one of our fine pastors. Little Miss Virginia Carolyn has just come to grace this fine Christian home, checking in on August 8th. Not much for size—6½ pounds—but my, what a heritage. Our good wishes go to the parents and child.

Study Course Awards and New Unions For July

We are happy to report the organization of 57 new unions during the month of July. Of these there were nine Story Hours; 13 Junior Unions; 10 Intermediate Unions; 13 Young People's Unions; 12 Adult Unions. 1,053 study course awards were issued. August will give us a much larger number of awards, as much of the July work will come in the August report. But we feel that July was a good month, and we appreciate the cooperation we have had in promoting our program for Christ.

Intermediates will enjoy reading **WINGS AGAINST THE BLUE**, by Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby. It is a story of women around one family, Jeanne, her brother, Gerald, and her father, a missionary to Brazil. 40 cents at the Baptist Book Store, Jackson. And a good mission book for Juniors is **Friends Down Under**. This is only 35c.

West Point First Looks Ahead

The week of October 4-9 has been set for an enlargement campaign for Training Union by the First Baptist Church, West Point. Miss Frances Lippincott, the Educational Director, and Pastor John E. Barnes have already mapped out plans for the program. A full six member faculty all to be from out-of-West Point is being secured, and even though the church is more or less Training Union-minded, and the Training Union is doing nicely, they feel the need of such a campaign each year.

Congratulations to West Side, Natchez

West Side Baptist Church, Natchez, is only a few years old, but in these few years they have made a record for themselves that is credible. Their Training Union continues to flourish under the directorship of Mr. T. J. Boyd. So far this year they have had two study courses, issuing 88 awards. We do not have their program before us, but have an idea they plan for a study course each quarter. In this way they will be able to study four of

the very helpful books in the study course.

For Skilton Friends Only

Friends of Mr. Frank E. Skilton, of which there are legion, will be interested to know that "skidding hazards" have been removed for him by an application of rubber heels to his new shoes. Mr. Skilton did some fine work for us during the District Conventions, but nearly came to serious grief at Pontotoc when brakes failed to hold on his new shoes and he received a "knee on light." We are so glad that the Rationing Board approved these non-skidders for him.

Loyalty and Love Combined

Five weeks is a long time for most of us to be away from home at one time, especially for young people who have a happy Christian home, and when we ask our summer workers to give five straight weeks that that is as much as we can ask them for. Here is one though who could not stop when the five weeks were up.—WHY—because other churches came to her personally and asked her to help them. She could not say no. She did not want to say no, so Miss Virginia Howell, of Wanilla, served her five weeks in Smith county, and then the sixth week, and then the seventh week, and if possible she will stay and work in the eighth church before going back to college. Such love and loyalty gives God an additional opportunity to bestow a blessing.

Make a place in your plans for Ridgecrest in 1943. We will have two weeks again as this year, the last two weeks in July, or July 18-30. We hope to run a bus each week as we did this year. Our two buses this year, carried seventy (70), one carrying 37 and the other 33. Crowded? Yes, but just enough to make the trip a little more colorful. It's a great experience.

—BR—

NO SUBSTITUTE

"There can be no substitute for church attendance," says Dr. George W. Truett. Certainly not! God has ordained it. Regular, faithful, systematic attendance upon the service of worship will do something for one which nothing else can do. One robs himself of the finest fellowships, of the highest inspirations of quickening impulses for good and of the building of bulwarks against evil by attendance upon divine worship. David said, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." He was glad because he did get something out of that experience which could be had nowhere else. The apostle begs his disciples: "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is." Knowing that those who do so lay them-

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Raymond Earley, Second, Warren, Ark.
T. E. Edmonson, Kilbourne, La.
D. W. Edwards, First, Cornelia, Ga.
David Emery, Butler, Mo.
J. L. Ford, First, Zeigler, Ill.
Murray Fuqua, chaplain, U. S. army.
William Gladson, Wildwood Church, Tenn.
L. P. Glass, Watkinsville, Ga.
C. J. Grafton, Waverly, Fla.
C. J. Granada, First, Attalla, Ala.
C. B. Hall, First, Charlotte, Texas.
Harrall Hall, Katy, Texas.
S. E. Harry, Alta Loma, Texas.
Griffith Henderson, Luray, Va.
J. B. Hester, First, Whiteville, Tenn.
J. R. Hickerson, First, Commerce, Texas.
Elton Hinze, Garden City, Texas.
Clarence E. Hobgood, chaplain, U. S. army.
H. C. Hopkins, Calvary, Ewin, Tenn.
Hogan Hunter, Gibsland, La.
Arthur Johnson, First Dublin, Okla.

Resigned

Rev. Ashley, Morrilton, Ark.
W. D. Baker, Pythian avenue, Springfield, Mo.
D. T. Barnes, First, Saratoga, Tex.
L. M. Bratcher, Jr., Liberty, Fulton, Ky.
Charles Black, First, Madill, Okla.
T. C. Brinkley, First, Wink, Tex.
Roscoe Brong, West Liberty, Ky.
Millard R. Brown, Cashie Church, Windsor, N. C.
E. N. Campbell, Mountain View, Okla.
E. Douglas Carver, University, Abilene, Texas.
L. M. Chapman, 38th avenue, Hattiesburg, Miss.
W. H. Clements, Sabinal, Texas.
L. C. Coates, Boyce, La.
J. O. Colley, Goodwater, Ala.
J. H. Cothorn, McLain, Miss.
F. Q. Crockett, Fayette, Mo.
C. B. Curtis, Slaughters, Ky.
H. W. Daniel, Sandusky, Birmingham, Ala.
T. E. Edmondson, Transylvania, La.

selves liable to every sort of an attack by the enemy of all souls. The mere exercise of the willpower which is required to pull oneself together, prepare and then get out and go to church service is within itself worthwhile. That alone strengthens character. Yielding to the temptation to loll and lounge around on Sunday morning, or to indulge in some physical pastime will weaken the will and decay the character. The physical being is developed by physical exercise; the intellectual being is developed by intellectual exercise; the spiritual being is developed by spiritual exercise. The highest of all spiritual exercise is that of worship. Let us all rally the spirit, summons the will and be found at the appointed hour on God's day in God's house, singing God's praises, praying God's blessings and listening to God's message.—M. E. Dodd.

25 YEARS AGO

Forty additions were reported at Charleston in a meeting, with 30 of these for baptism. J. R. G. Hewlett is pastor, and Evangelist Whittington preached.

The editor was with Pastor B. A. McCullough at Gillsburg in a revival, with 19 additions, 17 being for baptism, and of these 10 were boys and one a mature man.

At Rock Hill in Covington county, when W. H. Barrett closed a meeting, there were 22 candidates for baptism.

Among the donors to Chaplain Wall's tent fund are: J. T. Wallace, Clinton; D. C. Simmons, Utica; Grenada W. M. U. by Mrs. J. B. Perry; Stokes V. Robertson, Jackson; Liberty Baptist Church; S. M. Marks, H. H. Marks and M. L. Marks, Marks; Enterprise W. M. U.; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Scott, Crystal Springs; First Baptist Church, Vicksburg; Prof. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Hattiesburg.

The Brookhaven W. M. U. was the first society to send in \$100 on the Training School fund.

The meeting at Scobey resulted in 24 additions, 13 for baptism.

Pastor I. D. Eavenson reports a fine meeting at Leakesville with 15 additions to the church, and Rev. Wm. Cook Boone of Marianna, Ark., doing the preaching.

The Cleveland church held its first meeting in the new house of worship, and the pastor, R. M. Boone, writes joyfully of the harmony and spirit of the people. The church had gone from half to full time work under his leadership, in two years.

"Say," said the woman customer over the telephone, "the next time I order chicken, don't send me any more airplane fowls."

"What do you mean—airplane fowls?" asked the butcher.

"You know what I mean: All wings and machinery and no body."

D. W. Edwards, Walnut street church, Jersey Shore, Penn.

Guard Green, Donelson, Tenn.

E. S. Groner, president, College of Marshall, Marshall, Texas.

Douglas J. Harris, Guthrie, Ky.

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Eleven Out

For the first six months of this year every association in the state reported Sunday school training except these eleven: Benton, Chickasaw, Franklin, Itawamba, Jasper, Lafayette, Madison, Montgomery, Prentiss, Smith and Tate.

Last year was the first time we ever had every association reporting some Sunday school training during any one year. We trust that the eleven mentioned above will see to it that some training classes are planned for the fall in order to help their officers and teachers do better work. Not only should these eleven do this, but since October is the fall Sunday school training course month, hundreds of churches throughout the state should plan for a great training week during October, or at least some time during the fall.

The new Sunday school year begins the first of October, which means many new officers and teachers serving for the first time. These need to be trained because the work is new to them. The others need to be trained because the work is old to them.

Let's make Mississippi 100% this year in associations reporting Sunday school training. We are not far from it now, with several months yet to go.

Leaders

For the first six months of this year, Griffith Memorial church, Jackson, led all churches in the state in the number of Sunday school training awards with 146. For the same time, Hinds-Warren Association led all the associations in the state with 455 awards, and also in the number of churches reporting training, with 12.

Our congratulation to the leaders in this church and association on the good work in the training program.

Thirteen Out

At this writing (August 12), all associations in the state have reported one or more Vacation Bible schools except these thirteen: Carroll, Chickasaw, Covington, DeSoto, Itawamba, Jasper, Kemper, Madison, Mississippi, Monroe, Montgomery, Pontotoc and Union.

We know of schools that were held in a number of these thirteen, and it is very probable that they were held in each of them. We hope that pastors and principals will see to it that the reports are sent to us right away. Unless you are certain, check up on it and see whether or not your school has been reported. Please help us out in getting 100% reports this year. As associations not yet reported do so, we shall publish them so that you may keep up with the ones that haven't reported. Last year every association reported one or more Vacation schools for the first time; we hope 1942 will make it number two.

Good Testimony

A fine worker sends in this excellent testimony regarding the Vacation Bible school: "It makes me so happy to see people take so much interest in anything that they have

never tried before. Each day I realize more the importance of Bible schools. Every few days I receive a card or letter from some one telling me what the Bible school meant to them and how they are looking forward to one next year."

This could be duplicated in hundreds of cases, and yet many churches do not give their boys and girls the opportunity offered through the agency of the Vacation Bible school. It is not too early to begin planning now for the 1943 schools. When you elect your Sunday school officers and teachers in September, also include in that list the principal of your Vacation Bible school for next year. This will give ample opportunity for that one to make thorough preparation so that the best school may be held.

Several associations have already sent in reports of more Vacation Bible schools this year than were held in 1941. This is as it should be until every church has been reached.

Climbing Chimney Rock

Breathless with anticipation and from singing for forty miles, we reached the highway to Chimney Rock. It was a "highway" too, for the bus strained and pulled at the steep grade.

Upon reaching the Rock all eagerly rushed for the steps. Some almost turned back when they say they were straight-up and rather "dizzy looking." Twisting through the Needle's Eye and around narrow corners, we reached Pulpit Rock. There we paused to snap pictures and to catch our "wind." Below lay a beautiful view of the lake, a river, and peaks veiled in smoky haze stretching away into the distance. The highway was ribbon size and rushing automobiles were as small insects.

After this was the higher climb, then the descent. By the waterfall, along steep, rock walls, then on a woodland trail, we went slowly, pausing to see the view of valley and wooded slopes below. It was worth all the aching muscles and sore feet.

Coming back to earth again, we missed two members of the party. Two gallant men went to search, finding the two ladies, wearily but stubbornly limping down the last of the trail.

Returning, tired but singing all the way, we reached the assembly glad that we had climbed. It was a lifting-up experience and we thought of the life comparison. The valley, the steep, hard climb, the narrow path over a precipice, the far view from high places, we had it all. Then the descent into the valley again for service.

As through hard experiences in life we came closer to Him who said, "I will make of all my hills a way" (Isa. 49:11).

—Miss Elsie McLaughlin,
Petal, Miss.

—BR—

Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and not tried.—G. K. Chesterton.

THE BAPTIST RECORD IS AN ASSET TO MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

(Those making reports at Associations will find helpful information below.)

1. The Baptist Record is the ONLY means for keeping up with Baptist affairs both in Mississippi and throughout the world. Without its weekly visits many churches and many Baptists would gradually lose contact with the various phases of our work, both in and out of Mississippi.

2. The Baptist Record is the promotional agency for the organized work of Mississippi Baptists. It promotes every part of our work. Every department is promoted at no cost to those departments. Probably greater progress has been made by the various departments in the last five years than in any similar period in Baptist history. AND it is significant that during those same five years the circulation of the Record has exceeded all records. Thus it seems that as the circulation of the Record grows, so do the organizations which it supports and promotes.

3. During the past 12 months the Record has gladly and as a part of its duty contributed space for distinctly promotional work, which space if charged for at only 2/3 our advertising rate would amount to approximately \$15,725.00.

4. Each week articles of various sorts appear in the Record which if no paper were published and the same article were mailed even at the cheapest postal rate, would cost including stationery and labor approximately \$780.00 for one mailing.

5. BUT in the issue of June 18, there were promotional articles from 13 different departments. One letter from each department, therefore, would cost \$780.00 or \$10,140.00 for just one letter to those Mississippi readers on the Baptist Record subscription list. Similar letters each week would cost approximately \$517,180.00 per year. Evidently The Baptist Record is an asset to Mississippi Baptists.

6. The Baptist Record is also a great denominational stabilizer. Its pages are open to all Baptists to present within reason their view points. Many times articles are published that do not agree with the editor's views, but the editorial policy is that religious freedom includes the freedom of expression. Thus with every Baptist having the privilege of expressing his opinions, Baptists can get together and keep together.

7. The Baptist Record furnishes 16 pages of good wholesome reading each week.

8. The Baptist Record is an antidote for much of the trashy literature of today.

9. The Baptist Record makes informed Baptists and informed Baptists are better Baptists. Any pastor knows that the more his people know about the work, the more they are likely to do about it.

10. The Baptist Record indoctrinates its readers. Many of our Mississippi Baptists have little if any doctrinal information. The pastors are doing the best they can with the time they have, but they can't use all their time for doctrinal instruction. But The Baptist Record keeps Baptist doctrines ever before the people.

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ers fall for many other misrepresentations about the work. But many false rumors float around, gladly propagated by some who know better but have selfish reasons and the uninformed Baptists (non-subscribers) are fertile soil for such rumors. One of the best ways to keep Baptists on the main road and in high gear is to get The Baptist Record in their homes.

12. The Baptist Record is a good assistant pastor. Pastors with their many duties can't visit their people weekly, but the Record does that very thing.

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"I find that The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY plan has done at least three things for us, as follows: First, during the extreme cold and rain of January and February our attendance held up remarkably well. Second, the interest and enthusiasm of our people is increasing. Third, our finances are holding up remarkably well. AS YOU SAY, THE RECORD IS NOT A CURE-ALL, BUT IT IS A GREAT HELP."—D. A. Hogan, pastor, Purvis Baptist church.

"There has been the largest number of recorded givers in our church this year that has ever been known and we will show a large increase over last year in both local and missionary causes."—A. B. Pierce, pastor, Crystal Springs.

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1. A realization on the part of the pastors that the Baptist Record will help their work.

2. The backing of all pastors. They can help by promoting some plan for enlarging the circulation of the Record in their churches. The EVERY FAMILY plan is the best. But there are other plans. ANY plan is better than no plan.

3. The Record needs to have every Sunday school superintendent endeavoring to get every teacher and officer to subscribe for the Record.

4. The Record needs to have every BTU director getting the BTU workers to subscribe for the Record.

5. The Record needs every WMU actively supporting the Record by pushing the EVERY FAMILY plan or by getting clubs of subscribers.

6. The Record needs every Brotherhood endeavoring to enlarge the subscription list of the Record.

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All lives have their conflict of good and evil. Nobody escapes it. No one ought to complain of it, for it is the common lot. The failure or the victory is in each man's own power. He must fight evil, or he must yield to it; there is no middle way.

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TIRES, GASOLINE AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

By W. S. Brooke

Acting General Secretary-Treasurer
Greenville, S. C.

This title may strike one as being rather peculiar. What do tires and gasoline have to do with religious services? Quite a good deal these days. For example, many Christian people, especially those who live in rural sections, are asking how they can attend the meetings of their church and denomination. In most cases each family has a car, but they may lack tires or gasoline, or both, and they usually do not have any other means of transportation. They are loyal to their church and denomination, but under such conditions what are they to do?

May I suggest in the beginning that I am not in favor of doing away with too many church and denominational services. To be sure, we may have to curtail some of these during the war, but I feel that if our people ever needed the strength, comfort and courage that comes from Christian people meeting together to worship God it is in these hard days; moreover the Bible is very clear in its injunction that we must not neglect the assembling of ourselves together. Again I am satisfied that if we begin to limit any of our services it will tend to educate our people away from the churches and nothing would be more distressful and possibly disastrous than to have a falling off of attendance at religious services during this period, but how can we meet this situation? Certainly there are some real difficulties and these, of a necessity, have to be considered. There are some things which I think can be done.

1. We can group our services, holding as many as possible at the same hour and the same place. For example, a certain rural church has what the pastor calls "family night." They meet at the church late in the afternoon and serve a luncheon and then hold all of their services for the week, or the services which are usually held between Sundays. For instance, they have the Sunday School Workers Conference, also the Brotherhood, B. T. U., and W. M. U. groups. After these groups have met, say for an hour, they come back into the church for a brief inspirational message by the pastor. This arrangement works well in that particular church and I am sure it could be worked in others. Then again where a church is accustomed to have two services a day during their revival meeting, that is morning and night services, they might change the morning service to late afternoon and follow this with the night service. This would necessitate making only one trip to the church that day.

2. Neighbors could arrange, as far as it is practical, to go to the services in the same car; one neighbor

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

Pascagoula Second	125	50
Gautier	39	
Crystal Springs	372	
Sunflower	70	
Olive Branch	75	54
Louisville	326	68
Double Springs (Webster)	51	
Enon (Panola)	70	73
Bear Creek (Attala)	69	
Antioch (Attala)	17	
Griffith Jackson	654	319
Jackson First	839	193
Calvary Jackson	796	190
New Albany, August 9	331	
West Side Natchez, Aug. 9	52	
Bear Creek (Attala)	61	23
Batesville, Aug. 9	112	56

taking his car for one service and another for the next services, etc. In that way one car might serve more than one family and also would tend to bring neighbors closer together. Of course, such a plan as this, if it is to be successful, must have some system about it. I would suggest that in each church a transportation committee be appointed. This committee should study the number of cars available and how these cars can best be used to bring the people to the church.

3. A further suggestion is, that people might find it practical in many cases to do like our fathers and mothers did in other days. They might hitch the mules to the farm wagon and take the family to church. The family could not travel quite as fast this way, but eventually they would arrive at the place of worship. Then again it is possible for many people to walk to the services. This applies especially to people living in small towns and cities. Our fathers and mothers walked to church when the distance was much farther than the average city or town member lives from his or her church. This may mean a sacrifice, but let us remember that Christianity was born in sacrifice and probably we all need in these trying days to be more sacrificial in order to carry on the work of our Lord. You remember Jesus said: "Whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it." Then, too, we have not been called to suffer as thousands of Christians in other lands are suffering, but let us show to the world that we do appreciate the goodness of our heavenly Father by keeping His work going, even though it does mean sacrifice.—Baptist Courier.

Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on page 11.

- (Simon's trade): His trade or business can be found in Acts 9:Vs. 43.
- (Joseph's wife): Her name, and the priest's title, or religious center, is found in Genesis, 41:Vs. 45.
- (Painted faces and eyes): See II Kings, 9:30, Jeremiah, 4:30, and Ezekiel 23:40.
- (Jerusalem): The name originated in very early Palestinian history, and, means a 'hill-top retreat,' known in those days as 'the Refuge,' or 'the Fortress.'

GOOD HOPE, WINSTON COUNTY

The Lord gave us a gracious meeting with Good Hope church (Winston county). This preacher was blessed



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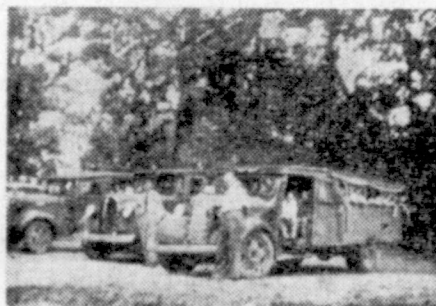
by the fellowship of the good people of the church and the community. The attendance was tops from the first service, which was on Sunday afternoon, clear through to the last. Monday morning and Monday night



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We have a fine Sunday school at Good Hope, with attendance running around seventy. It is my joy to preach out there one Sunday after-



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noon each month. Plans are on foot to have services twice monthly.

The Sunday school has been established for two years now. I count this one of the best pieces of work that the Lord has permitted me to do. There was no Sunday school in the entire community, except occasionally, for years. These bus owners and a few faithful workers, have done a great work here.

R. D. PEARSON.

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"The Kingdom of God is the rule and reign of God in the individual heart and in society through individuals. In short, it is the love of God. The world battles today because it lacks love for God and in turn lacks love for others."—Forrest C. Feezor.

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CARTHAGE REGRETS RESIGNATION OF REV. P. D. BRAGG

WHEREAS, Rev. P. D. Bragg, pastor of the Carthage Baptist Church for more than nine years, has tendered his resignation to the church and accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Bristow, Oklahoma, and,

WHEREAS, due to his untiring efforts, his splendid leadership and his devotion to his high calling the church has been cemented in fellowship and has grown and expanded in all departments under his pastorate, and,

WHEREAS, his influence for good has been felt not only in this church and community but has extended throughout the county and will live and bear fruit many years after his departure, and,

WHEREAS, he and his family have endeared themselves to our people during their stay here;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we accept his resignation with sincere regret and commend him and his family most heartily to the people among whom they go to make their home.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of these resolutions be furnished him and his family, be spread on the minutes of this church and be furnished The Baptist Record and The Carthaginian.

Adopted by Carthage Baptist Church in conference on this the 9th day of August, 1942.

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THE CHALLENGE OF TOMORROW

George W. Sadler, Secretary
for Africa, Europe, and Near East

The leading editorial of the Richmond Times-Dispatch of August 6 was entitled "Dark Days Before Us." The gifted editor of this important daily points out six clouds on the horizon, every one of which bodes ill for the future. Mr. Dabney is tremendously disturbing when he concludes: "We are now face to face with the stark and grim possibility of defeat. More than ever there should be no flinching as we strain every fiber for the victory which must, and will, be won."

While no one of us knows the nature of the future, we can be reasonably certain about some of its aspects. Most of those who read these lines are experienced travelers. We have gone far enough along the highway of experience to be able to discern the signs of the times and to recognize that a given condition is likely to produce a certain kind of result. So we are safe in saying:

The World of Tomorrow Will Be a Broken

World

Some of us were privileged to have fellowship with Dr. William Adams Brown a few weeks ago. He had recently returned from England where he witnessed the enthronement of the Archbishop of Canterbury. He said that when he first entered London he was impressed with the apparent normalcy. Soon, however, he saw grim and widespread evidence of brokenness and blight. He mentioned especially the sight of an ancient and important church standing alone in a large area of debris. The buildings that had made this a community or several communities had been reduced to rubbish by enemy bombs.

You recall that soon after a thousand bombing planes had been used to blow Cologne to bits the Germans were promised that the same sort of treatment would be accorded every large city in their country; that not a thousand planes a night but five thousand would be used in this deadly and devastating business.

With our own eyes some of us saw, as we marched forward during the last World War, village after village in France in which there was not only not a single house standing but villages in which every wall had been leveled. We saw, creeping back to the community from which they had been driven, old people who found only the dust and debris of what was once their fireside.

Since the current conflict is on a much larger scale the ruin will be vastly more widespread. In many parts of the world millions will find their homes and churches and schools and business places heaps of ruins.

Bad as this type of brokenness is, it does not compare with the human phase—the destruction of life, the bereavement of parents and wives and sweethearts, the disintegration of personality.

A Hungry World

That hunger and death from starvation will be the portion of multitudes of persons in several parts of the world, those who know the circumstances do not doubt. Even now we are told about students in Europe whose teeth are loose, whose eyes will not focus, whose brains cannot concentrate because they are suffering the pangs of hunger. We hear about babies whose faces look like the wrinkled faces of old men because their mothers cannot supply nourishment for them.

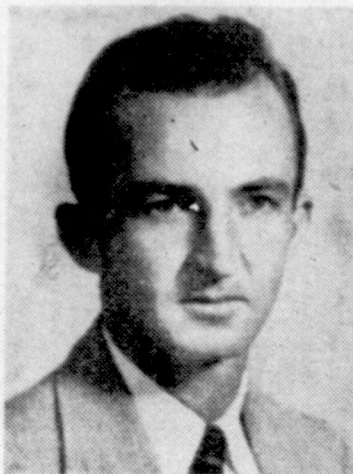
A veteran missionary declares: "Often the missionaries find from one to ten babies at their gate. A mother and child died of hunger on the steps of a hospital. Chinese pastors and teachers with their wives are slowly starving that their children may have food. Refugee students are suffering from malnutrition."

Since conditions are like to grow worse before they grow better, it is reasonable to expect that both in Europe and China an increasing number of persons will be drawn into the orbit of hunger and starvation.

During and after the last World War the several Protestant groups of the United States spent nearly \$50,000,000.00 for relief and rehabilitation in Europe alone. If we do our duty, we shall have to go far

REV. PAUL BOOTH ACCEPTS PASTORATE AT PORT GIBSON

Rev. Paul D. Boothe, who has been assistant pastor of the First church, Vicksburg, has been called as pastor at Port Gibson. He succeeds Rev. Reed



REV. PAUL D. BOOTHE

Polk, who recently went to Madison, Ga. The new Port Gibson pastor is a native of Mississippi. His college work was done at Mississippi College and Mississippi Southern College. He is a Th.M. graduate of the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth.

In a recent letter to the editor, Pastor Boothe expressed his appreciation of the Mississippi fellowship, and assured us that Port Gibson would continue to have the same spirit of cooperation as in the past.

Port Gibson has the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Pastor Boothe has already expressed his appreciation of it. The work is already moving along smoothly under the new pastor. Great things are expected from Port Gibson.

beyond that figure at the conclusion of the current conflict.

A Disillusioned World

The German youth and the older persons who responded to the call of the man of Munich were seeking what most of us have found—a messiah. They were in the dust of humiliation. They had lost what to them was the most important war of all time. Their arms had been taken from them. Their colonies were gone. Their money was well-nigh worthless. They were almost without hope when the mustached corporal came claiming messianic power. Since they had all to gain and nothing to lose, they followed him. And now? Death and destruction. Tomorrow? Death and destruction and disillusionment. The Fuehrer will be added to the roster of false messiahs and many, we hope, will turn to the Prince of Peace.

As some of us traveled in the Near East and in a number of the countries of Europe just before and just after the outbreak of the current conflagration, we saw evidences of disillusionment. An Arab official was so tried by the times that he expressed the wish that a fire might come along and destroy his country to the end that his people might start all over again.

A Hungarian leader, after declaring that his country had been robbed of two-thirds of its territory by the conditions of the last peace, pointing to the flag of his country which was flying at half-mast said, "That flag will never fly from the top of that pole until our lost territory is restored." At that moment thousands of his countrymen were marching toward the Rumanian border.

After I had gained his confidence, a gifted Italian told me that his people were tired of their burden of taxation and that they did not like the idea of being identified with Germany in its military madness.

A Dark World

In addition to devastation, death from hunger and disillusionment, ours will be a dark world. We ought to heed the plea of our African woman into whose life light had come: "Tell the young people of America that they came and awakened our sleeping souls. Tell them that we have peace and sadness: Peace, because a few of us know Jesus Christ, but sadness because millions of us have never heard His name." Then she continued: "Tell the young people of America to come with the light of Jesus Christ on their faces, knowing how to laugh at impossibilities in His name." While we make war multitudes of people in America and in other parts of the world die in darkness. God forgive us!

NOTICE!

RE: Annuitants in Both Board Employees and Ministers Retirement Plans.

That all may understand the ruling and that all may be treated alike, we quote the following ruling from Dr. T. J. Watts:

"Certainly no supply work should be done on anything but strictly a temporary basis and after sixty days it should cease, unless the supply work is done without compensation. If one wishes to continue to supply a pulpit for reasons satisfactory to himself who is on our retired list he should cease drawing the pension check while drawing the salary."

This applies to both Board employees and pastors—receiving monthly benefits under either plan.

A retired minister under either plan may conduct revival meetings here and there, and may supply pulpits here and there. HE MAY NOT REMAIN IN THE SAME PULPIT FOR MORE THAN SIXTY DAYS.

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Pastor R. O. Bankston reports good revivals at all his churches. Rev. B. S. Hilbun did the preaching at Zion (Smith county); Rev. Byrum Bishop at Rose Hill (Smith county); the pastor at Siloam (Simpson county), and Rev. B. E. Massey at County Line (Rankin county). There were 10 additions at Rose Hill, 3 by baptism and 7 by letter. At Siloam there were 7 for baptism and at County Line 31 for baptism and by letter. A new church is being planned at County line.

Holly Springs church, Lincoln county: We feel that our recent meeting was a very successful one. Rev. Enon Boyette of Sicily Island, La., was the visiting preacher. Although the weather was exceedingly hot and we had several rains, the attendance was good. There were 7 additions, 5 of them being for baptism. Rev. E. E. Hedgepeth is the pastor. We have recently painted our church on the outside and are very proud of our work.—Mrs. Luther Smith.

Phalti Baptist Church, Jeff Davis county: We feel that much lasting good has been accomplished by our annual summer revival which has just closed. Rev. Wyatt Hunter, of First Baptist Church, McComb, did the preaching for us. He was spirited and spirit-filled and had the full cooperation of the membership. There were 19 additions to the church upon profession of faith, and one by letter.—H. A. Hunderup, Jr., pastor.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

FOR AUGUST

Evangelism—Soul-Winning.
Now Club Emphasis.
Cooperative Program Support.
Vacation Bible School.
Southwestern Theological Seminary.
Sunbeam Focus Week, 9-14.
Tithes and Offerings According to Scriptures.
W. M. U.—Check Standard of Excellence.
Make Plans for Margaret M. Lackey Season of Prayer for State Missions, Sept. 14-17.
Use W. M. U. Training School Girls on W. M. U. Programs.

FOR SEPTEMBER

Evangelism—Association and Church.
Cooperative Program.
Association meetings.
Now Club Support.
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
W. M. U. Training School.
State Mission Week of Prayer, 14-17.
B. T. U. Study Course.
Tithes and Offerings According to Scriptures.